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Moda'i sits out this round Power strike talks follow day of blackouts around country

Jerusalem Post Staff

A new attempt to settle the Electric Corporation strike was made last night after serious power cuts ravaged factories and disrupted the Corporation's management and workers met with a high-level staff meeting led by Yisrael Meir, head of the Trade Union Department.

Management representatives left last night's talks, to see if Histadrut and the workers could agree on an agreed standstill.

Energy Minister Yitzhak Moda'i will take part in the meeting, announced beforehand, but he had nothing new to offer and would only discuss earlier proposals.

"We'll sit in the dark," negotiators won't work and there will be no hot water, but we shall not give in to every pressure group that says its hands on the throat of the country," Moda'i said yesterday evening, sitting in his darkened office.

Moda'i said the government was determined not to give in to the Electric Corporation workers' demands, which would constitute a precedent that would undermine the wage policy. The government is only prepared to grant the striking workers wage supplements (haslamot sachar) and coordinate wage differentials between different groups of workers within the Corporation, but is determined not to give in to excessive

demands.

"If they don't go back to work, we'll take all the measures we can to preserve law and order and public services," he said.

The electricity workers sharpened their action yesterday by reducing regular supply by a third, causing prolonged outages all over the country. This followed the breakdown of negotiations on Monday night.

As current in Tel Aviv stopped flowing yesterday morning, traffic lights went out of action, plunging downtown streets into traffic chaos. Huge queues of vehicles jammed the southbound lanes of Derech Haifa, Derech Patah Tikva and Rehov Ben Gabirol. Rehov Arlosoroff was also backed up.

Police in Jerusalem reported no unusual incidents during the 90-minute blackout in the capital yesterday.

In Haifa, traffic was snarled mainly on Mount Carmel. Traffic police were sent to main junctions in the city, and by late afternoon most traffic lights were working again.

"Darkness at noon," a Carmelit passenger said yesterday when the lights went out at the underground stations in Haifa. The trains went on running, though, because their power supply is hitched to two networks, only one of which is shut down when electricity is short.

In the morning police were called to the power station in Haifa where strikers barred entry to those of

their colleagues who had received back-to-work orders.

Dozens of people were caught in lifts and had to be rescued, sometimes by the maintenance companies, but in many cases the fire brigade was called in.

In Nazareth and villages near Ashdod, power and water supplies were cut off from early yesterday morning to the night.

The electricity cuts temporarily paralyzed industrial activity and cut off water supply to factories and homes.

While Electric Corporation supervisors yesterday debated where to cut off the current and where to resume the regular flow, angry citizens who telephoned to report power failures abused the strikers, accusing them of depriving children of milk and forcing them to stay in the dark.

Yesterday afternoon electricity workers initiated a wave of cuts aimed at domestic consumers, following their assault on industrial supply in the morning. The workers announced that they will go on disrupting supplies in this way as long as their demands are not met.

Histadrut representatives said yesterday the dispute could be solved immediately if Moda'i and the Electric Corporation management agreed to the compromise offered by the corporation's works committee. Kessar called on all parties to avoid

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Bolshoi ballerina Ludmila Vlasova, left, is hugged by her mother Alexandra Drovzhina on her arrival in Moscow from New York yesterday. (UPI telephoto)

Vlasova returns home, hits U.S. as 'arbitrary'

MOSCOW. — A tearful but smiling Ludmila Vlasova arrived home in Moscow yesterday and stepped into the waiting arms of her mother, ending a week ago by the defection to the U.S. of her husband, ballet dancer Alexander Godunov.

The plane had been grounded for three days at New York's Kennedy airport while American authorities negotiated with Soviet diplomats over the right to question Vlasova to see if she was leaving the U.S. voluntarily.

Vlasova, appearing a bit weary, paused slightly on the rain-slicked ramp and her eyes filled with tears as she gazed at her mother waiting with a bouquet of red, pink and purple flowers.

"Mama, mama," she said softly, as she set down her luggage and embraced the short, plump woman.

As well-wishers with flowers and dozens of correspondents swarmed around, Vlasova walked arm-in-arm with her mother and an aunt toward Sheremetyevo airport terminal and out to a waiting gray sedan.

The ballerina declined to comment to correspondents at the airport on her ordeal in New York, saying only that "it was difficult not only for me but for all the passengers on the plane."

Later Vlasova said in an interview broadcast on Moscow radio: "I consider (the Americans) actions to be arbitrary because they occupied our plane by force. They got inside with guns and handcuffs to guard me. It was just madness."

"I am very happy that I am back on native soil," she said, the dancer, who convinced U.S. authorities at a meeting on Monday night that she was returning to Moscow of her own free will.

The Soviet media has failed to report that her husband, Bolshoi star dancer Alexander Godunov, had defected last Wednesday, setting off the chain of events that ended with

her arrival home.

The only reference Tass made to her husband was a statement that Vlasova "did not want to find herself in a situation similar to that of her husband ... who had disappeared shortly before that under circumstances which are not yet clear."

Vlasova refused to comment about her husband, but she did praise the Soviet government, saying, "I felt the support I needed" from her relatives and countrymen.

Tass accused U.S. authorities of lacking "responsibility and common sense" throughout their dealings at Kennedy airport and of planning an international incident between the two nations.

The Bolshoi company, meanwhile, is continuing its tour of the U.S. Vlasova was escorted to the car quickly and without going through passport formalities. The rest of the plane's 52 passengers filled out their customs declaration forms in a special VIP lounge.

The passengers cooped up in the Aeroflot jetliner for three days said they played cards, held a chess tournament and put on "very jolly" amateur entertainments. (AP, UPI)

Weizman tells Defence C'ttee: Raids on PLO will continue

By ASHER WALLFISH
Post Knesset Reporter

Defence Minister Ezer Weizman said yesterday that Israel will stop shelling PLO centres in Southern Lebanon when the Palestinian terrorists stop shelling the Christian enclaves there. However, at the same time, the IDF will continue to initiate operations aimed at preventing terrorist strikes against Israel.

Weizman told the Knesset Foreign Affairs and Defence Committee. He said the IDF had shelled PLO concentrations in Southern Lebanon this week as a response to heavy shelling by the terrorists against the Christian enclaves.

The defence minister vigorously rejected criticism by the Alignment and Shai opposition factions about IDF operations in South Lebanon.

He said the IDF had followed a two-pronged strategy. It had heavily shelled PLO concentrations in recent weeks; and, ever since the Nabariya terror outrage in April, it had launched a policy of preventive strikes aimed at blocking terror operations.

Weizman said that during the past fortnight the PLO had hurled "murderous" artillery barrages against the Christian enclaves. Their motive may have been frustration, he said, or perhaps there was some other reason. In the past week six civilians in the enclaves died in this shelling, including a two-year-old child and a woman of 82.

He said that the IDF sought to prevent the Christian enclaves from "collapsing." So it directed heavy artillery fire against PLO concentrations. "Were we supposed to let Major Haddad's people fall apart?" he asked the committee.

"Without those (Lebanese Christian) enclaves the PLO batteries would be stationed right on our border," Weizman said.

He said there were 15,000 terrorists in the area north of the Litani river and of the UNIFIL forces in South Lebanon.

Preventive operations which the IDF was mounting by air, sea and land against PLO strongpoints, and

which were all based on intelligence know-how, had ensured that outrages like the Coastal Road bus massacre last year and the Nabariya terror outrage had not been repeated since.

"These preventive operations have nipped dozens of terrorist strikes in the bud," Weizman told the committee.

The Alignment's Haim Bar-Lev and Yosef Sarid and Meir Talmi (Mapam) charged that the top echelons were not maintaining adequate supervision over the IDF's operations, and that a re-evaluation of their effectiveness and purpose was called for. Weizman replied that the government was doing all it possibly could to make sure that civilians were not harmed.

"It is a well-known fact that some Alignment-led governments in the past followed a clear policy of hitting at civilian centres," Weizman charged. "This was the case along the Suez Canal, during the 'war of attrition,' and also in the Jordan Valley, when Bar-Lev was chief of staff of the IDF."

Bar-Lev conceded that such a policy had then existed, but said its purpose was to exert pressure on the Arab governments to halt operations mounted from their territory against Israel.

"The problem is that in Lebanon (Continued on page 2, col. 7)

Security Council may convene tomorrow

Jerusalem Post Correspondent

WASHINGTON. — The UN Security Council is expected to convene tomorrow to take up the fighting in Lebanon. U.S. officials said yesterday.

Israel's UN Ambassador Yehuda Blum met briefly yesterday with outgoing U.S. Ambassador Andrew Young to discuss technical aspects of the council session.

UN sources yesterday predicted that the Council session will probably not wind up with any formal resolution adopted, but will merely enable the parties to express their views.

Backtracks from earlier stand

Dayan: Attacks on PLO in Lebanon must go on

Declaring the Lebanese situation a "mess" without Lebanon having either an effective government or an army, Dayan distinguished between two kinds of Palestinians in Lebanon: the PLO, which deserves to be attacked time and again because the Lebanese Christians and marauders into Israel and direct terrorist activities in this country; but there were also 70,000 Palestinian refugees there, he said.

Dayan made a sharp attack on France in noting that the rest of the world had abandoned the Lebanese Christians to Moslem and PLO attacks.

He explained that Israel was there partly because of Christian calls for aid. The French had abandoned their traditional responsibility for Lebanese Christians because of their interests in buying oil from Iraq.

He saw the U.S. administration caught in conflicting currents, nudged towards a change in its Middle Eastern policy because of its desire to insure orderly oil supplies, and also because the administration had wrongly assessed that Saudi Arabia and Jordan would finally be won over to support the Egyptian peace initiative.

In answer to a question, Dayan said that despite the PLO's success with U.S. public opinion — particularly in the black community — he strongly doubted whether such an organization of killers could make permanent inroads among the Americans.

Later he said the Palestinian Arabs were not a nation, the autonomy scheme would not end in the establishment of an independent state, and Egypt's President Anwar Sadat and U.S. President Jimmy Carter were contented in this position after Camp David. Dayan saw the association with Egypt as a most optimistic element in the Middle East, despite current differences.

Dayan: Attacks on PLO in Lebanon must go on

Post Political Correspondent

ZARAH. — Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan yesterday declared that Israel's present policy of unremitting attack on PLO bases in South Lebanon must continue.

The foreign minister, who was addressing 300 members of the UJA Press Minister's Mission in the garden of his home here, seemed in his comments on Lebanon to be backtracking from his reported position at Sunday's cabinet meeting.

Dayan was then reported to be urging a reassessment of the policy of air and artillery attacks on PLO bases located in or near refugee camps or other civilian localities, in the light of their adverse effect on Israel's image in Western opinion.

Dayan has subsequently come under strong attack for making that opinion public. The Ministerial Defence Committee meeting, which was scheduled to consider the policy issue yesterday, was put off at Defence Minister Ezer Weizman's request. Dayan himself was also criticized by Weizman and by members of the Likud Knesset faction who met yesterday.

In explaining Israel's international public relations difficulties because of its actions in Lebanon, Dayan said American TV showed scenes from the Lebanon fighting which the public there regarded as evoking images of Vietnam. These scenes were obviously saddening, he said, but added that the attacks had to go on to prevent PLO attacks on Israel.

E. German cellist defects at Festival

LUCERNE, Switzerland (AP). — An East German cellist of the world-famous Dresden "Staatskapelle" appears to have defected while his orchestra was here for concerts at the International Lucerne Music Festival, a festival spokesman said yesterday.

The cellist, Horst Schoenwaelder, vanished before the orchestra gave its second concert here on Sunday night under its Swedish conductor, Herbert Blomstedt. The orchestra, including more than 130 players, came here on a group visa that was limited until Monday and had to leave without Schoenwaelder.

Fatah to invite Young

BEIRUT (UPI). — The Central Committee of Yasser Arafat's Fatah has decided to invite Andrew Young, the outgoing U.S. Ambassador, to visit the Middle East. Palestinian officials said yesterday.

They said similar invitations would also be extended to black American leaders "to visit the Palestinian revolution and have a first-hand look at the conditions of the Palestinian people."

The Palestine Liberation Organization's news agency, Wafa, black American leaders would be invited to visit the region, but did not say when the invitations would be forwarded.

No evidence Israel used cluster bombs

The commander of UN forces in Lebanon said yesterday there was no evidence that Israel had recently used 175mm. artillery or cluster bombs against the South Lebanese port of Tyre.

Questioned about press reports which said Israel had used the powerful weaponry, General Emdan Erskine told Israel Radio: "UNIFIL has no evidence of 175 being deployed or being fired into the area."

The general had been asked to comment on an American television network report which showed an empty canister of a cluster bomb which, when detonated, breaks open and sprays bits of shrapnel. The television report said Israel had used them on Tyre.

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Hua, Carter to visit each other

PEKING. — Chinese Premier Hua Guofeng (Kuo-feng) yesterday accepted an invitation from U.S. President Jimmy Carter to visit the U.S., and the two nations signed new agreements on hydroelectric power and cultural exchanges.

The official New China News Agency said Hua had accepted "with pleasure" the Carter invitation, which was included in a letter handed to the Chinese leader by visiting Vice-President Walter Mondale.

China said Hua would visit the U.S. at an "appropriate time," and that Carter also was invited to visit China at a "convenient" time. Carter is expected to visit China sometime early next year.

The accords on building hydroelectric power plants in China and on further cultural exchanges were the most important agreements so far to come out of Mondale's visit.

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"A secure and modernized China is as much in the interests of the U.S. as a strong and prospering America is in the interests of China. Despite

sometimes some profound ideological differences between our two systems, we can see eye to eye on a wide range of global and regional issues," he said.

Mondale stressed, however, that despite the expected rapid expansion of bilateral economic and cultural ties during the 1980s, "we don't have and do not anticipate having a military relationship."

He said that during his meetings with Hua and Senior Vice-Premier Deng Xiaoping (Teng Hsiao-ping) he had long discussions on the situation in Indochina and Cambodia.

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Minister Nissim appointed autonomy team coordinator

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Minister without Portfolio Moshe Nissim was yesterday appointed coordinator of the ministerial team responsible for the West Bank and Gaza autonomy negotiations with Egypt.

Nissim — working under committee chairman Interior Minister Yosef Burg — will prepare position papers for the autonomy negotiations, which are now dealing with issues of substance. He is reportedly planning to consult officials and independent experts on controversial issues such as the scope and source of authority the autonomous administration in the territories should enjoy.

Nissim's appointment as coordinator was announced yesterday at the end of a meeting of the ministerial negotiating team. The team reviewed agreements reached with Egypt on procedures and the disagreements between the two countries on substantive aspects.

The autonomy talks with Egypt have been bogged down over two of

Cairo's recent demands: that East Jerusalem be included in the autonomy constituencies, and that the projected self-rule council in the administered territories be given governmental and judicial powers.

Two working groups — one dealing with the mechanism of autonomy and the other with its authority and powers — will meet with their Egyptian counterparts in Alexandria on September 9 to hammer out the differences between the two countries. The plenary ministerial teams are scheduled to meet there a week later.

Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan yesterday took part in the autonomy team meeting for the first time in two months. He had been at odds with chairman Burg over the approach to the autonomy negotiations.

Dayan, Burg and Defence Minister Ezer Weizman — who has quit the committee — were expected to join Premier Menahem Begin in the latter's summit meetings with Egyptian President Anwar Sadat in Haifa next week.

Genscher in Amman on 3rd M.E. stop

AMMAN (AP). — West German Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher arrived in Amman yesterday on the third leg of a four-nation Middle East tour.

Genscher was welcomed at the airport by Jordanian Prime Minister Haidar Bakhadir and top Jordanian officials and officers.

Genscher came to Jordan from Beirut where he discussed the situation in South Lebanon, the Palestinian question and the Middle East with Syrian and Lebanese officials.

The German minister will start his talks today with a lunch with King Hussein and Queen Noor.

Kahane gets 3 months for defying ban

By IAN BLACK
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Each movement leader Rabbi Meir Kahane was yesterday sentenced to three months in jail for defying a ban by the Judea and Samaria Military Government on his entering Hebron.

A military court in Ramallah ordered that he begin serving the term on September 20, and also gave a nine-month sentence suspended for three years. Kahane announced that he would appeal the verdict.

Kahane was arrested in mid-June after ripping up another in a series of letters banning him from entering Hebron, where he and his supporters have been active in the struggle for a renewed Jewish presence in the city. Before being taken into custody, the rabbi made a speech in nearby

Kiryat Arba praising attacks by his supporters on a number of Arab homes in Hebron a short time before.

He was released on IL60,000 bail after a first hearing but arrested again a fortnight later after holding a demonstration in Nabulus, where each member called for the expulsion of Mayor Bassam Shaka from the city.

Court president Sgan-Aluf Ya'acov Or said that he was sending Kahane to jail because the rabbi was proud of what he had done, and that no fine would deter him from doing it again.

Kahane's secretary, Yosef Dayan of Kiryat Arba, told reporters yesterday that each member would not rest as long as Kahane was in prison.

He said the movement would henceforth concentrate its activities in Hebron.

The rabbi's wife declined to comment to *The Jerusalem Post* on her husband's imprisonment.

Connally urges talks between U.S., PLO

WASHINGTON. — Former Texas governor John Connally, a candidate for the Republican presidential nomination, yesterday came out in favour of talks between the U.S. and the PLO.

Speaking in Florida, Connally said it was premature for the U.S. to actually recognize the PLO. But he basically accepted outgoing UN Ambassador Andrew Young's contention that talking to that organization was important in trying to resolve the Palestinian question.

Experts probe cause of London radiation

Jerusalem Post Reporter

LONDON. — Experts from the national Radiology Protection Board went last night on an independent survey to determine the cause of infrequent high readings on certain radiation monitoring equipment at Remington fire station, which is next door to the Israel embassy.

The survey is being carried out at the request of the London Fire

Brigade, whose own experts have failed to discover the cause of the radiation leak, which was first noticed last Friday morning.

While the survey is being done, fire engines and other equipment from the station have been moved out.

At this stage it is not certain whether the experts will want to examine the embassy, which at first was thought to be the source of the leak.

Jemayel, Chamoun back Israel attacks

Two of Lebanon's most prominent Christian leaders, Camille Chamoun and Pierre Jemayel, last night said they supported Israel's attacks on the terrorists in South Lebanon, even though innocent people may be victims. They called on the Lebanese government to cease its pressure on Israel, through the U.S., to stop the attacks, according to Israel Radio.

The two said in a statement issued after a meeting of the leadership of Lebanon's largest Maronite body, the Lebanese Front, that the Lebanese government must expel the terrorists from South Lebanon and force them to stop their attacks on Israel.

Old City dig poised on brink of David's time

By ABRAHAM BARINOVICH
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Archaeologists digging at David's City may have penetrated at last to the century David lived in.

Ceramic and structural remains tentatively identified as being from the ninth or 10th century BCE have been found by a team headed by Yigal Shiloh, which would up its second digging season this week. It marks the first time that Israeli archaeologists, who have been digging in ancient Jerusalem since the Six Day War, have had a glimpse of Jewish Jerusalem before the eighth century. David occupied Jerusalem at the beginning of the 10th century.

The finds from what might be the city David really knew are thus far few — only enough pieces of crude pottery to fill several pails, and small stone structural remains. But

Shiloh hopes to follow this archaeological level into adjacent areas when the third digging season gets under way next summer. The major objective of the five-year expedition is to uncover remains of Davidic and Solomonid Jerusalem, of which no trace has yet been found, and of the Jewish city which preceded Jewish settlement.

Shiloh said the team would dig the same period as were found this summer — Iron Age I, in the archaeologists' lexicon — were also reported by the late Kathleen Kenyon when she dug at David's City in the early 1960s.

More substantive finds from the First Temple and later periods were uncovered by Shiloh's team this summer, ranging from clear evidence of a well-ordered town planning scheme in the eighth century BCE to what may be the most

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ancient toilet seat ever uncovered, at least in Jerusalem.

Digging on the eastern side of David's City, which is located south of the Temple Mount, the archaeologists cleared a 40-metre stretch of an ancient city wall two-thirds of the way down the slope. Mounting from its upslope was a series of four terraces, which apparently served as bases for houses. A plastered drainage ditch cut through the terraces and the wall to carry rain runoff.

Taking archaeological colleagues on a tour of the site last week, Shiloh pointed to the Arab village of Silwan on the slope across the Kidron Valley and said that it was in major respects a mirror image of the Israelite city. "The main difference is that the ancient city was better planned," he said. Unlike Silwan, which grew organically as one house

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SOCIAL & PERSONAL

Hoping Minister David Levy yesterday received the freedom of Central Galilee from the regional council there.

Ethiopian Archbishop A. Bina Matias called yesterday on the Interior Ministry's Jerusalem representative, Raphael Levy.

Horace Kadoorie of Hongkong, with Dr. and Mrs. A. Dawson-Grove and Dr. and Mrs. A. Ellahu, attended a luncheon yesterday in their honour at Ben-Gurion University.

David Coren, chairman of the Public Committee for the Development of Western Galilee, will speak today at the Haifa Rotary Club, 1 p.m. at the Nof Hotel.

In Memoriam

Finance Minister Simha Ehrlich, Bank of Israel Governor Arnon Gafny, Knesset members and other public figures yesterday took part in a ceremony at the Kfar Sava cultural centre marking four years since the death of the late finance minister, Pinhas Sapir.

DEPARTURES

Ben-Gurion University president Yoef Telesh, to the U.S., on university business.

Aluf Tamir carrying Santa pullback plans

Jerusalem Post Staff Aluf Avraham Tamir is due back in Israel today from a two-day trip to Cairo, where he is thought to have made final arrangements for the early return of Santa Katerina to the Egyptians.

Lord Fisher due Friday

Jerusalem Post Correspondent LONDON. Lord Fisher of Camden, chairman of the governing board of the World Jewish Congress, is due to arrive in Israel on Friday. He will be accompanied by Lady Fisher. The main purpose of their visit will be to attend the wedding of their granddaughter, which will take place at Kibbutz Mishmar Hasharon.

VOLUNTEERS. About 300 volunteers from kibbutzim in the Jerusalem area are expected to attend a meeting tomorrow at Kibbutz Tzora, organized by the Government Information Centre. Centre and Foreign Ministry representatives will attend the question and answer evening on foreign affairs, security, energy and oil.

HOME NEWS

Following dissenting report Ministers to reconsider telephone company plan

By SHELOMO MAOZ Post Economic Reporter Several ministers are considering demanding a new cabinet debate over the plan to turn the country's telecommunications services into a government corporation after learning of Civil Service Commissioner Avraham Friedman's reservations about the plan.

Begin to rule on all Pat-Sharon rows

By SHELOMO MAOZ Post Economic Reporter Prime Minister Menachem Begin has decided to adjudicate all of the disputes that come up between two of his ministers, Ariel Sharon and Gideon Pat, The Jerusalem Post has learned.

Street bus parking adds to TA woes

By ALAN ELSNER Jerusalem Post Reporter TEL-AVIV. The traffic chaos caused here yesterday by the Electric Corporation workers' strike was aggravated in the vicinity of the central bus station by scores of buses parked in side streets, blocking the way to moving vehicles.

Anti-strike laws futile - Marshall

Jerusalem Post Staff TEL AVIV. U.S. Secretary of Labour Ray Marshall told staff members of the Tel Aviv University yesterday that anti-strike legislation would be ineffective unless workers had other ways to resolve disputes with management.

Judge rejects police bid, grants suspected gunmen bail

By YORAM BAE Jerusalem Post Reporter TEL AVIV. A magistrate yesterday denied a police request that four men suspected of attempted murder be remanded in custody, and instead ordered them released on bail.

Two underworld brothers shot to death in Netanya

NETANYA (Itim). David "Dada" Amar and his brother Avraham "Babar" Amar, were fatally shot here yesterday as they returned to their home in a jeep about 7 a.m. Police believe it was an underworld murder.



Members of the Heidelberg youth band blast away yesterday near Jaffa Gate. The band, which is a guest of the Jerusalem Municipality, plays old folk tunes and dresses in traditional German outfits.

Treasury scrapping employers loan

By SHELOMO MAOZ Post Economic Reporter The employers' loan, at the rate of 4.75 per cent of every employee's wages (excluding fringe benefits such as car allowances), will be abolished throughout the productive sector at the beginning of October.

Swedish PM asks Soviets to clear Wallenberg mystery

STOCKHOLM, Sweden (AP). Swedish Prime Minister Ola Ullsten sent a letter last week to Soviet Premier Alexei Kosygin demanding a new investigation into the case of Raoul Wallenberg, a Swedish diplomat who was imprisoned by the Soviets in 1945.

TNT found in false bottom of Israeli's car in Venice

VENICE (UPI). A senior police officer said yesterday that an armed Israeli owner of a false-bottomed car containing explosives had been arrested at Venice harbour.

Eitan: S. Lebanon terrorists put guns in civilian areas

Chief of Staff Rafael Eitan said yesterday that terrorists in Lebanon build many of their positions in populated areas.

RAIDS

(Continued from page 1) today there is no government that can be pressured in this way. As there's no point in our maintaining that kind of policy," Bar-Lev said.

POWER

(Continued from page 1) intensifying the dispute, which was causing suffering to the population and damage to the economy.

Members added to film censor board

Additional members were appointed yesterday to the film censorship board by Interior Minister Yosef Burg.

The Very Reverend Abbess Tamara formerly Mother Superior of the Eleon Russian Convent on the Mount of Olives passed away on August 28, 1978

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HOME NEWS

West Bankers' travel dependent on obedience

By IAN BEACK Jerusalem Post Reporter
Future requests by public figures in the administered territories to travel abroad will be considered on the basis of their obedience to the authorities...



The central area of excavation at the end of this season's City of David dig. In the foreground is the Israelite period city wall. Above the wall are the ascending steps of buildings dating from the eighth to the sixth centuries BCE, resting on the city wall.

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Found elsewhere in the ruins was a well-carved, "throne-like" stone slab with a hole in its centre whose resemblance to a toilet seat is striking...

Public help asked for woman missing from Kiryat Ono

TEL AVIV. — The family of a 31-year-old woman, last seen on August 1 when she left her mother's house at Rehov Habavzalet in Kiryat Ono, has asked the public's help in locating her.

Plumber held as burglary suspect

Jerusalem Post Reporter
HAIFA. — Police have arrested a 24-year-old plumber they suspect of having committed the recent burglaries at the Beit Sira apartment house here.

Burning tanker sinking off Dubai

ABU DHABI (UPI). — The Greek-owned oil tanker Putianna, on fire 11 km. northwest of Dubai, is beginning to sink, Dubai police commander Nasser al-Sayyed said yesterday.

Poultry farmers fazed by too many eggs

Post Economic Reporter
Overproduction coupled with financial losses will lead to an egg crisis in the near future, government sources in Jerusalem warned yesterday.

Economic ministers plan closed-door session

By SHELOMO MAOZ Post Economic Reporter
The Ministerial Economic Committee is due to meet next Tuesday in closed session, without any aides, about the deteriorating state of the economy.

Army funds boost Arabic teaching in Jewish schools

By BENNY MORRIS Jerusalem Post Reporter
The IDF will transfer IL22m. to the Education Ministry this year to bolster the teaching of Arabic among the country's Jewish children...

Honour Polish couple for sheltering Jews

WARSAW (Reuters). — American Ambassador William Schaufele on Saturday presented a special commendation from the Massachusetts State Legislature to a Polish couple who sheltered a Jewish family during World War II.

Dan hotels only ones to preserve lavish breakfasts

By HAIM SHAPIRO Jerusalem Post Reporter
The Dan Hotel chain has decided not to go along with a move by the country's hotels to stop serving lavish buffet Israeli breakfasts.

Dulzin impatient over absorption hassle

Jerusalem Post Reporter
Home Minister Executive Chairman Arye Dulzin maintained yesterday that further delay in a decision on what institution will deal with aliyah and absorption may cause a "serious crisis with American Jews."

School road safety

Four centres in which schoolchildren will be taught traffic rules and road safety will be opened at the start of the school year in Rishon LeZion, Netanya, Petah Tikva and Ashdod.

Warner Bros. regrets hurting Orthodox Jews

NEW YORK (AP). — The distributors of the successful film "Monty Python's Life of Brian" have expressed regret that it offended some Orthodox Jewish rabbis who have called it a "vicious attack on Judaism."

UJA upset at Egyptian refusal

By JUDY SEGEL Jerusalem Post Reporter
There was deep disappointment yesterday among United Jewish Appeal contributors and organizers over the Egyptian government's last-minute failure to allow the UJA Peace Mission to fly to Cairo for an eight-hour visit.

Tiberias. — The contribution of Jews from Oriental countries to the development of ancient Tiberias' culture will be the subject of a special Bar-Ilan University study ordered by the Education Ministry.

Advertisement for Ford Cortina, featuring a car image and text: 'Tax-Free Cortina for less than a Tax-Free Cortina. Being a new immigrant, now is the best time to buy a car.'

Jerusalem food shops: The good, the bad, the unspeakable

By HAIM SHAPIRO Jerusalem Post Reporter
The Israel Consumer Council has some good news and some bad news for Jerusalem shoppers. The good news is that an extensive survey of food shops found 28 groceries and five self-service stores which the council said were outstanding examples of cleanliness and service.

Advertisement for 'LET'S KEEP IN TOUCH' featuring a large graphic and subscription information for The Jerusalem Post International Edition.

Advertisement for 'An Apartment Abroad?' featuring CLARIN APARTMENTS and contact information.



Therese Meitlis

Therese Meitlis, a divorcee with a four-year-old son, was wearing a long beige skirt and pink blouse with white dots when she left the boy with his grandmother. She is 1.53 metres tall, has a round, full face, brown eyes and short brown hair, slightly curly.

A sister told The Jerusalem Post that Therese Meitlis had suffered a series of personal disappointments and was depressed when she disappeared. The police have been notified. Anyone with information is asked to call the mother, Gusta Meitlis, at 03-759970.

Kollek: Stadium supporters giving no material help

Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kollek maintained yesterday that vocal supporters of the proposed soccer stadium in the capital have offered him no material help in his struggle to get it built, but only left him "isolated" in a battle with "extremist elements."

Asked about a photograph in a newspaper yesterday showing him sitting on the steps of the Jerusalem Theatre — and not next to Interior Minister Yosef Burg — the mayor said this was not due to hostility to the minister, with whom he has had a running battle over police and interior affairs.

He said he had been asked to sit with Burg and police Inspector-General Haim Tavori, rather than with two police officers he had sat next to originally. "I wanted to protest these frozen rules of protocol that govern where a mayor has to sit," explained Kollek.

World pays tribute to Mountbatten Deaths from IRA blasts rise to 23

LONDON (Reuter). — Government and religious leaders paid tribute to Earl Mountbatten, who died on Monday in one of two savage attacks by Irish guerrillas fighting British rule in Northern Ireland.

More victims died yesterday from injuries received in attacks on Mountbatten's fishing boat off the west coast of Ireland and a British army patrol across the border in Northern Ireland. The death toll in the two incidents now stands at 23.

A Buckingham Palace spokesman announced yesterday that Lord Mountbatten would be given a ceremonial funeral at Westminster Abbey next Wednesday.

The latest victim of the fishing boat blast was the dowager Lady Doreen Brabourne, 82, mother-in-law of Lord Mountbatten's eldest daughter Patricia. She died in Silgo hospital on the west coast of the Irish Republic.

Lady Patricia, her husband Lord Brabourne and their 14-year-old son were still on the critical list in the hospital yesterday.

In Northern Ireland, three more British soldiers died of wounds received in the guerrilla ambush of their army patrol at Warrenpoint, bringing the death toll in this attack to 18.

Ironically, another person connected with Queen Elizabeth also died in Monday's violence. He was Michael Hudson, 29, son of one of the Queen's coachmen at Buckingham Palace. Hudson was on a fishing holiday in the Irish Republic, and was killed in cross-fire across the border between British troops and Irish

guerrillas in the wake of the Warrenpoint mine explosions.

Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher cut short her Bank Holiday vacation yesterday and returned to London for urgent security talks at 10 Downing St.

The funeral service for Lord Mountbatten will be held Wednesday morning and his body will afterwards be taken to Romsey Abbey near his home at Broadlands in Hampshire for a private burial.

Court mourning will continue until after the funeral.

Mountbatten, 79, a great-grandson of Queen Victoria, was related to most of the royal households of Europe, but the palace spokesman said it was too early to say how many members of foreign royalty would be attending the service. All members of the British royal family will attend.

In a BBC television interview screened in tribute yesterday, Mountbatten said, "I hope people won't cry" at the funeral. "Dying doesn't worry me."

The interview was recorded some months ago when Mountbatten heard the BBC were working on an obituary. With typical attention to detail, he wanted to take part in the programme, in which he said that he did not wish to be cremated or buried at sea. He said two of his favourite hymns were "Jerusalem" and "For Those in Peril on the Sea."

Government and religious leaders yesterday paid tribute to Mountbatten and many expressed horror at the way he had been killed. President Carter expressed dis-

may in Washington, saying he was "profoundly shocked and saddened by the tragic and violent death" of Lord Mountbatten.

Australian prime minister Malcolm Fraser described his death as "a violent and callous act of terrorism" and said it was "a stark and horrible reminder of the total ruthlessness and indiscriminate terror with which modern political murderers pursue their cause."

Prime Minister Robert Muldoon of New Zealand said his countrymen "deplore the murderous act which ended the life of a man who at no time marred it by any ignoble deed."

In Rome, Pope John Paul condemned it as an "act of shocking violence" and said it was an insult to human dignity. He sent a message to Buckingham Palace offering his sympathy for what he said was a tragic murder.

Irish Prime Minister Jack Lynch condemned the Irish Republican Army (IRA) guerrillas who claimed responsibility for the murder. He described them as the real enemies of Ireland, adding: "They bring shame to all Irish people at home and abroad."

India yesterday began a week-long period of mourning for Mountbatten, Britain's last viceroy in the subcontinent. The government of Burma, from where he launched the Allied land battle against the Japanese in the Second World War, ordered a three-day period of national mourning. It was the first time in Burmese history that the country declared mourning for a foreigner.



Wreckage of Earl Mountbatten's boat "The Shadow V" is collected from the beach at Malinbeg, Ireland, for examination by bomb experts. (AP radiophoto)

Konstantin Simonov dies, 63

MOSCOW (AP). — Famed Soviet novelist, poet and playwright Konstantin Simonov died yesterday, Tass reported. He was 63. The cause of his death was not disclosed.

Simonov was best known for his extensive reportage and fiction works about World War II, including his novels "The Quick and the Dead" (1958) and "Soldiers are Not Born" (1964).

Simonov's career managed to survive episodes of sharp criticism during the last years of Soviet Dictator Josef Stalin's rule, as well as later in the 1950s, while he served as chief editor of the literary journal "Novy Mir."

Simonov initially assumed the editorship of the journal in 1946, but was replaced by poet Alexander Tvardovsky in 1950 — less than a year after Simonov was severely criticized in print for publishing a "decadent" love poem.

After four years as editor of the weekly Writers Union newspaper "Literaturnaya Gazeta," Simonov regained the "Novy Mir" post in 1954. He edited the journal until 1957, when he was removed as editor after "Novy Mir" published Vladimir Dudintsev's "Not by Bread Alone," which was heavily slated by official Soviet critics.



Konstantin Simonov (left) in Israel in 1946, with his wife and the then mayor of Tel Aviv, the late Mordechai Namir. (Yosef Lior)

Viet refugee wave resumes

MANILA, Philippines (UPI). — The U.S. Navy yesterday reported sighting seven refugee boats packed with 268 Vietnamese in the South China Sea, indicating that the refugee wave from Vietnam was resuming after a two-week lull.

A Navy spokesman said U.S. P-3 long-range patrol planes made the sightings in the past four days. Three of the boats were spotted yesterday. One of them, carrying 59 Vietnamese, was rescued by the Dutch merchant ship Martulu.

The two other boats sighted yesterday carried 42 and 48 refugees and were spotted 450 nautical miles west of Cam Ranh Bay and 800 nautical miles south of Saigon, respectively, the Navy said. The second boat was "dead in the water" but in no apparent distress, it said.

These brought to 13 the number of refugee junks sighted by patrol planes of the U.S. 7th Fleet since July 21 when President Jimmy Carter ordered the fleet to search actively for refugees in the South China Sea. Altogether 153 Vietnamese have been rescued by 7th Fleet ships since the mission began.

Canada grabs U.S. tuna boats

SEATTLE (AP). — Eight U.S. tuna boats were seized by a Canadian cutter and were being escorted to port on Monday for alleged fishing rule violations in the first such incident since a U.S.-Canada fishing agreement expired 14 months ago, authorities said.

In Seattle, the fishing vessel owners association called for an embargo on Canadian fish imports to the U.S. to protest the seizures.

Canadian officials said seven of the boats were spotted entering Canada's 34-km. fishing zone off the west coast of Vancouver Island but refused to leave and were boarded by teams from the cutter Tanu early on Sunday.

The eighth boat was seized in a separate incident late Sunday in approximately the same location. All eight were being escorted to Victoria, said John Cairns of the Fisheries Department's office in Vancouver, British Columbia.

Cairns said the vessels were given "every opportunity to depart the zone."

Officials said it was the first seizure of U.S. tuna boats since the U.S.-Canadian fishing agreement expired in June 1978.

Wally Johnson, Pacific regional director for the Canadian Department of Fisheries and Oceans, said the fishermen faced possible seizure of their vessels or catches, fines and imprisonment.

Water-starved Javans to migrate

JAKARTA, Indonesia (AP). — About 12 million people from the densely populated island of Java will have to be moved to Sumatra and other islands because of shortages of water supply, the Minister of Public Works said.

Purnomosidi Hadisaraso said this weekend that between 8 to 12 million farmers in Java island had been cultivating land which lacks water reserves.

He said the government's plan to remove 500,000 families, or about 2.5 million people, from Java to other islands within the current five-year development programme is nothing compared with the need to move about 12 million people from this island as a step to protect water reserves and aspects of the environment.

Khomeini persists in tough policy on Kurds

TEHERAN. — Iran's unofficial head of state, Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini, has turned down a Kurdish peace bid and refused to endorse a negotiated cease-fire, a senior Revolutionary Council member said yesterday.

"The Imam (Khomeini) has made no concessions," Abol-bassan Bani-Sadar told Reuters.

In an interview which he said reflected the views of the Iranian leader, he said, "There is no justification whatsoever for the systematic subversion of minorities which want to impose violence on our people. As soon as they stop acting in this manner, brotherly Islamic cooperation can begin."

"It is not up to us to declare a cease-fire."

An unofficial cease-fire is in force on all fronts in the Kurdish region, as both sides await the outcome of peace moves in Teheran.

The spokesman for a five-man Kurdish delegation told Reuters Monday night that Teheran's religious leader, Ayatollah Mahmoud Taleghani, had given assurances a formal cease-fire would be announced yesterday.

But the move has apparently been scuppered by Khomeini's hard line. The goodwill Kurdish delegation from Mahabad which arrived here on Monday had scheduled conferences with Prime Minister Mehdi

Bazargan and influential Muslim clerics to try to pave the way for negotiations to end hostilities.

But government forces, backed by heavy armour, remained poised 35 km. north of Mahabad, and thousands of Kurdish troops converged on the city from all parts of Kurdistan to bolster the Kurdish stronghold's defences. Press reports from Turkey said 3,000 Turkish Kurds had joined the forces in Mahabad after being recruited in Turkish villages bordering northwest Iran.

Meanwhile, 20 people were officially reported shot yesterday in the battle-scarred Kurdish town of Saqqez.

Reported by Pars, the government news agency, the executions brought the number of Kurds officially shot by Islamic revolutionary firing squads to over 40 in the past seven days.

Kurdish sources in Mahabad claimed yesterday that 87 Kurdish prisoners were executed in Saqqez and "their bodies dumped into the street outside the town's garrison."

The same sources said that when news of the executions reached Mahabad, "groups surged into the streets, demanding reprisals on 166 captive revolutionary militiamen, and forcing us to double our guards at the prison where they are being held." (Reuter, AP)

S. Africa may face revolution Premier Botha tells whites

KOEDOESPOR, South Africa (AP). — Prime Minister P. W. Botha has warned that South Africa faces internal revolution by dissatisfied population groups.

Speaking on Monday night in support of a Nationalist Party candidate for a by-election, he said, "This country does not only have whites, but blacks, coloureds (mixed race) and Indians as well, and I will take their interests into consideration as long as I am prime minister."

Botha and the candidate were heckled by 50 supporters of the rightist Herstigte Nasionale Party (BNP).

"Do not think that South Africa cannot have a revolution. Revolution is not a remote possibility," said Botha who earlier this month announced a general plan to ease the government's racial segregation

policies in a country where 44 million whites dominate 19 million blacks, 2.4 million coloureds, and 765,000 Asians who enjoy few political or economic rights.

A heckler shouted that all blacks should be sent to the 10 homelands set aside for separate black development under a plan that would leave the bulk of mineral-rich South Africa to its white population.

"If all blacks were in the homelands, who would bring you your coffee in the morning? And you probably need someone to change your nappies as well." Both said. The BNP campaign charges that the government is "selling out the white man." It is expected to draw support from hardliner nationalists opposed to Botha's policy adaptations.

N. Ireland braces for more violence

BELFAST (Reuter). — The prospect of Protestant gun gangs stalking known Irish terrorists in an escalation of the blood-letting loomed in Northern Ireland yesterday after the murder of Lord Mountbatten.

Amid widespread feelings of helplessness over the future among both Catholics and Protestants, the Ulster Defence Association (UDA), claiming 30,000 Protestant supporters, said, "We are ready to take the law into our own hands."

Monday's double-edged carnage, with the terrorists massacring 18 British soldiers hours after a bomb blew up Lord Mountbatten's holiday boat, surpassed anything which the crisis-hardened people of Belfast have seen in 10 years.

It showed the Provisional wing of the Irish Republican Army (IRA), now assessed at a strength of 800 terrorists, at maximum sophistication and striking capability after 10 years of struggle with the 13,000-strong British Army and the Irish

Republic's own much smaller army, and police.

The full psychological impact of the death of a member of Britain's royal family has yet to be felt. Queen Elizabeth was deeply shocked by the loss of Lord Mountbatten — whom she called "Uncle Dickie" as he was the uncle of her husband, Prince Philip.

Catholics debated immediate fears of Protestant retaliation, perhaps even during Pope John Paul's visit to the Irish Republic beginning on September 29.

Renewed pressure on the British and Irish governments to solve the Northern Ireland problem is expected to be a main result of Monday's carnage.

The alternative, most people here believe, will be escalating bloodshed, with the IRA going to ever greater lengths to force the British to withdraw their 13,000 troops and leave Northern Ireland to unite with the Irish Republic.

Many influential Britons, however, believe the problem is insoluble in the short term. To withdraw might unleash civil war which could engulf the whole of Ireland if the one million British-descended Protestants decided to fight, they argue.

Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher has reiterated that Britain will only end its link with Northern Ireland at the behest of a majority of the province's people — which means the Protestants.

Protestants called for much tougher measures against the IRA, which British army experts now recognize is unbeatable without drastic emergency powers.

The UDA said it would stop the IRA itself if the British failed to "protect our people."

"This was the last straw. We really mean what we say, and are prepared to take action," a UDA spokesman said.

Bomb in Brussels may be work of Irish terrorists

BRUSSELS (Reuter). — Ten people, including at least two members of a British army band due to perform in the town's main square, were injured when a bomb went off in the centre of Brussels yesterday, police said.

No one was seriously hurt in the incident, which came only a day after the murder of Earl Mountbatten in Ireland, for which two Irish terrorist groups have claimed responsibility.

Police said the device had been placed under the floor of the stage, on which the band of the Duke of Edinburgh's Royal Regiment was to play.

It destroyed the floor and all the lights and sound equipment on it. Dozens of cobblestones in the street were shattered.

Police said they had no immediate clues as to the motive for the blast, and no one had claimed responsibility for it.

It followed an explosion on July 5 which severely damaged the British consulate in Antwerp.

Brussels Mayor Pierre van Halteren said the IRA claimed

responsibility for the blast in a telephone call to city hall.

After the Antwerp blast, British officials said they believed it could have been part of a chain of attacks which have also killed a Belgian banker in Brussels and the British ambassador in The Hague this year.

Brussels police believe Irish terrorists were directly or indirectly involved in the killing in March of the ambassador and the banker, who was shot dead in a Brussels suburb hours later.

The killers may have mistaken 47-year-old Andre Michaux for his near neighbour, Paul Holmer, Britain's No. 2 diplomat at NATO headquarters in Brussels.

CHOLERA. — Four persons died and 39 others were hospitalized because of cholera that swept over the border area between the two west Java districts of Karawang and Bekasi in Indonesia, the armed forces news agency FADN said in Jakarta yesterday.

'China hits Viet forces'

BANGKOK, Thailand (UPI). — About 200 Chinese troops armed with machineguns launched three attacks on Vietnamese border forces this week, the Vietnam News Agency claimed yesterday.

The attacks, among the largest in a month of skirmishes along the tense Sino-Vietnam border, came on Wednesday and Friday last week in Hatuyen Province, 290 km. north of Hanoi, the agency said.

It said Vietnamese border troops "firmly fought back, repulsing the Chinese from Vietnamese territory."

The two former communist allies have fought hundreds of small battles since a large Chinese invasion army withdrew from Vietnamese territory in March.

Both sides have warned of the possibility of a second war. The agency report yesterday said "the Chinese side must stop at once its armed provocations in violation of Vietnam's territorial sovereignty. It must bear full responsibility for all consequences of its acts."

Bahrain tells Iran: don't intrigue

BAHREIN (Reuter). — The government yesterday asked Iran to stop intrigues against the Gulf island which could disturb their mutual relations.

The warning came in an Information Ministry statement denying as "baseless and ill-intentioned" Iranian press reports that pro-Palestinian marches in Bahrain on August 17, proclaimed by Iran's Ayatollah Khomeini, had been suppressed and that the government was hostile to Iran's Islamic revolution.

The statement said, "Such allegations are aimed at creating enemies of the Iranian revolution when it is in need of friends."

"We hope that the authorities in the friendly Islamic republic of Iran would realize that the repetition of such intrigues could disrupt the atmosphere of Islamic brotherhood and friendship between the two countries."

Relations between the two countries have been strained since the Iranian revolution, with some Iranian clergy reviving Iran's territorial claims to Bahrain, renounced under the shah.

Ministry of Education and Culture Spokesman's Office Open Line to the National Parents' Committee to discuss subjects connected with the start of the 1979/80 school year. Thursday, August 30, 1979. Phone in between 4 and 6 p.m. to: 236559 or 234326, Jerusalem dialling zone. Parents are invited to call in and clarify matters pertaining to the above.

Hebrew University of Jerusalem Martin Buber Adult Education Centre Hebrew-Arabic Ulpan Courses in Spoken Arabic for Beginners and Advanced will be held from Thursday, September 6, 1979 until the end of December, 1979. Classes will be held on Mondays and Thursdays from 5.00 p.m. to 7.30 p.m., at the Martin Buber Centre on Mount Scopus, (Tel. 882444). Registration from Sunday, September 2, to Wednesday, September 5, at the Martin Buber Centre, from 9.00 a.m. till 1.00 p.m., and from 4.30 p.m. till 5.30 p.m. Tuition fee for course: IL500.

The I.L.P. demands a positive policy on the Palestinian question The postponement of the Security Council vote on the Kuwait resolution on the Palestinian question has given Israel only a short breathing space. The Independent Liberals have always maintained that there can be no real peace in the absence of an acceptable solution to the Palestinian problem — that this unsolved problem will even endanger the peace achieved with Egypt. The Independent Liberals repeat their demand that the government respond to the mounting pressure of public opinion, and the policies pursued by other countries. The Independent Liberals repeat their warning that, in the absence of positive Israeli proposals on this subject, the countries of the world, including our friends, will become hostile to Israel, and will force on us a political, international decision completely at variance with our essential interests. Accordingly, the Independent Liberals demand: 1. That the negotiations on autonomy be speeded up, and that Israel submit proposals demonstrating our genuine intention to implement the idea of "full" autonomy, in line with the agreements we have signed. 2. That Israel abstain from establishing provocative settlements in Judea and Samaria, with its dense Arab population, and from defiant policies on this subject. 3. That the "boycott" of the negotiating process by the Ministries of Foreign Affairs and Defence be discontinued, and that these ministries be harnessed to promote the progress of the negotiations. 4. That the Government of Israel declare its readiness to negotiate with Palestinians who are willing to declare their explicit recognition of the State of Israel and of Israel's right to exist within defensible, recognized borders, and their willingness to live in peace with Israel.

Paris police catch tunnelling burglars underneath a bank

PARIS (UPI). — Police arrested seven men tunnelling under a busy street in a fashionable left bank neighbourhood yesterday and charged them with planning to loot money and valuables from bank vaults about a metre away.

The arrests marked the end of a two-month investigation police said went on while the alleged robbers, disguised in blue coveralls worn by workers of the state-run electric service, bored their way through sewers up to the basement wall of a major bank branch.

The seven unsuspecting Parisians were going to work and early-morning tourists walked the streets above, near the famous Luxembourg Gardens.

Police identified the gang leader as Rene Manuvelo, a night club owner in the Riviera city of Nice. They said they were tipped to the alleged plot while investigating Manuvelo's criminal contacts following an explosion at his club.

Investigators said the seven had "come to work" each weekday, explaining to occupants of a building around the corner that they were installing new electric lines and moving in cutting torches, drills and other equipment.

They then burrowed from the cellar through an adjoining building walls to reach an unused sewer tunnel, which they followed to an active sewer that led to the bank. Investigators said they said the only remaining obstacle when the arrests were made was the basement wall of the bank itself.

The 1976 was similar to the July 16, 1976 "robbery of the century" in which Nice photographer Albert Spaggiari tunneled into a safe deposit vault at a Societe Generale branch in the resort city and looted it of an estimated \$10m. in valuables.

In addition to Manuvelo, two other Nice men, three Parisians and an Italian were being held in the case. Police said one of the men, Jean Lebras, was a well-known "alarm specialist" who two years ago had neutralized all the alarms at a Societe Generale branch in a public demonstration that they could be circumvented.

Gandhi is in trouble again

NEW DELHI (AP). — A leading police officer has testified before an official inquiry commission that Sanjay Gandhi, son of former Prime Minister Indira Gandhi, and several supporters attacked him during a May 1 riot in the capital.

New Delhi deputy police commissioner P.R.S. Brar told the commission on Monday that Gandhi, 32, grabbed hold of him when his arrest was ordered and urged his supporters to beat him.

Brar said he was hit with wooden and cane clubs. He was rescued after the rioters were driven away by policemen using tear gas.

After the incident, Gandhi and 280 supporters were arrested and charged in court with attempt to murder, rioting, armed robbery and causing injury to public servants. The charges carry a maximum penalty of life imprisonment.

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Travel Abroad

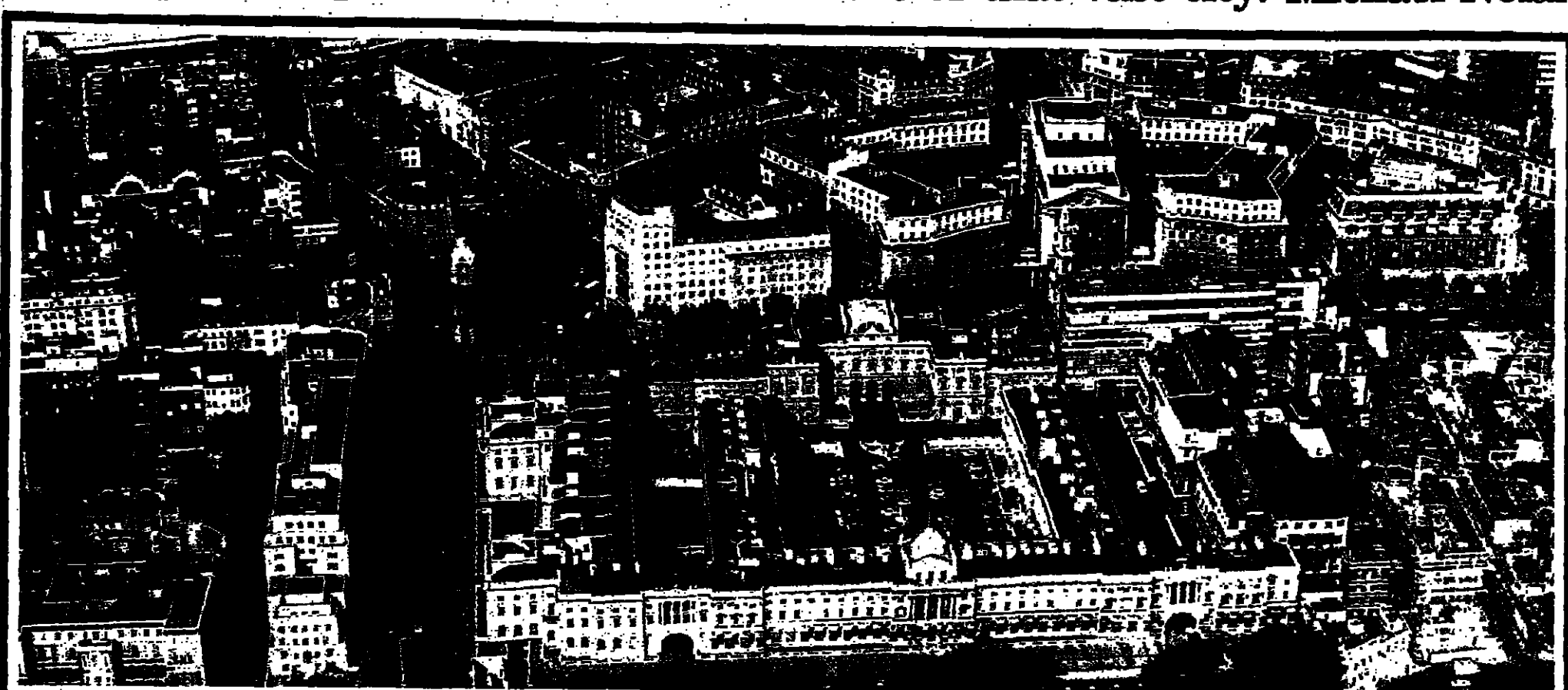
Some of London's finest pubs are buried in the maze of that vast city. Michael Nolan reports...

"THERE IS nothing by which so much happiness is produced," raved Dr. Johnson, "as by a good tavern or inn," and what was true of the English pub in the good doctor's day is just as true in 1979.

Nonetheless, the visitor to England all too often misses the perfect pubs. Some of the best are also the best hidden. In addition, guide books steer the tourist towards pubs that have historical associations or are tourist-orientated.

Of course some of these are excellent — the "Spaniard's Inn" on Hampstead Heath, frequented by Dick Turpin and Coleridge; the "King's Head" in Upper St., a pub-cum-theatre; the "Prospect of Whitby," the "Bull and Bush." However, they are less than tourist attractions, and tend in consequence to be more expensive and to lack some of the atmosphere of other pubs. On the whole, they are avoided by the British public.

For many tourists England is London. Some would argue that as a result tourists don't find good pubs because pubs belong in villages. I disagree. I shall list here 11 London pubs that Dr. Johnson would have approved of. However, I think first that a glossary of pub terms might help.



LONDON'S HIDDEN TREASURE

TOURISTS in pubs can be easily picked out because they are the only people who ask for a "glass of beer." No one does this because of the numerous types of beer available. The tourist would do best for a start to simply say, "I'd like a pint (or half pint) of bitter, please."

Bitter is the most popular draught beer, that is beer pumped from a metal keg by carbon-dioxide. Formerly draught beer used to be pumped by hand from wooden barrels by barmaids who in consequence had enormous biceps. The beer tended to be murky and flat, but it tasted rather good. Then however someone told the brewers about carbon-dioxide and keg beer was born.

If was clear, had thick foam on top, looked attractive, kept longer than barrelled beer and it had a uniform taste.

"Uniformly bad," went the cry and people who were fed up with finding the same beer in pubs from Cornwall to John O'Groats started patronising pubs that still sold beer from wooden barrels. "The Campaign for Real Ale" was founded, and the beer snob (who is quite as dull as the wine snob) was born. Real ale is now found in many pubs. Normally it is ordered by its trade name. In London the most common are "Youngs" (which is delivered by horse and dray) and "Fullers,"

although if you ask for a pint of beer from the wood, the publican will also know what you are talking about.

Despite the qualities of real ale, keg beer is still the most popular drink, probably because it is generally cheaper, and bitter is the most popular keg beer. Bitter is so called to distinguish it from the less bitter mild, a draught beer that is going out of fashion and is found in so few pubs that we can ignore it. All bitter is draught, in bottles it is called "light" or "pale" ale.

THE QUEEN of the beers is Guinness, a thick black drink made with roasted malt with a creamy white head. Most pubs sell draught Guinness, but because some people for reasons that I have never been able to fathom prefer bottled Guinness, they also sell this. One should therefore ask specifically for draught Guinness.

"It is a member of the genus Stout, possibly because people who drink it

in abundance tend to be. It originates from Ireland and is a meal in itself. Because of its high iron content it is occasionally prescribed by doctors.

The best Guinness is made with the waters of Dublin's Liffey River and is infinitely superior to the English variety. Even in England, however, it is delicious, although it is an acquired taste. The Irish have never forgiven Bismarck, who invented "Black Velvet," a mixture of stout and champagne, because every year thousands of pints of Guinness are ruined by being diluted with champagne.

The final type of draught beer is lager, which is almost as universal as Coca Cola so does not need to be explained. It is the only beer that is always served cold in England.

Pubs also sell bottled beers like brown ale, which is a sweeter, thicker beer than bitter, and of course wines, spirits and soft drinks.

Finally there is shandy, a mixture of bitter and lemonade. Although it is

very refreshing, serious beer drinkers look down on it.

And so to our 11 pubs.

The **"DICKENS"** at St. Katherine's docks is indubitably a tourist pub. Nonetheless, Londoners drink there because of its marvellous position, looking over the dock where old sailing barges and river boats are moored. It is the ideal place for a meal or a drink after a visit to the Tower of London, which is five minutes walk along the Thames to the west.

Tourists tend to stick out in City pubs because they are the only people not wearing suits. However, in the "Black Friar" in Queen Victoria St., opposite Blackfriars station, the sea of pinstripes is diluted to a certain extent by more scruffily dressed journalists, who come there from Fleet St. The pub itself is a delight. Wedge-shaped, its decor is a mixture of Victorian baroque and art-nouveau, with bronze bas-reliefs by

the Academy artist Henry Poole.

Several years ago London's fruit and vegetable market at Covent Garden was moved south of the river to Battersea. The old market buildings are now being spruced up and converted into offices, shops and restaurants. Near the centre of the old market, in Russell St., is "Brahms and Liszt." Although strictly a wine-bar rather than a pub, I mention it because it is a good place for a drink and a cheap meal near to the theatres, the National Gallery and Trafalgar Square. Its name comes from Cockney rhyming slang. As "apples and pears" are stairs and "titer" (short for tit for tat) is hat, so a Cockney after an evening at the pub might say "I feel completely Brahms and Liszt." The next day he will probably feel "reels of cotton" — rotten.

The wine-bar serves excellent salads and succeeds in being light and airy by day, and dark, smoky and intimate in the evenings. It is

full of art students and advertising executives pretending to be art students.

VICTORIAN pubs in London are legion. One of the best examples is the "Bunch of Grapes" in the Brompton Rd. about 10 minutes walk west of Harrods. With its dark wood, painted mirrors and frosted glass partitions, it is a typical Victorian pub.

Another example of this style, which I mention mainly because of its being 20 metres from Oxford Circus, is the "Argyll" in Argyll St. Because it is in a commercial, rather than a residential area, it lacks the atmosphere that regular customers bring to pubs like the "Bunch of Grapes," but is as good a place as any to rest in the middle of a harrowing shopping expedition.

The next four pubs are close enough together to all be visited in an evening's pub crawl. You should

start at the "Antelope" in Eaton Terrace, which is "Upstairs Downstairs" country. In the Bellamys' day, pubs would have been regarded as "Downstairs," but now the "Antelope" has a mixed clientele, with a fair smattering of clipped, "upper," accents.

The pub par excellence for James Bellamy is however, the "Australasian" in Milner St., which is a sort of annex of Eaton, 15 minutes walk west of the "Antelope." Here you will see Britain's future leaders falling over and generally letting their hair down.

A more interesting pub in the same area is the "Admiral Codrington" in Mossop St. A crowded pub with a small garden at the back, it has an enormous range of whiskies. The rich and famous drop in from time to time, and Dylan Thomas used to drink here.

From the "Cod," as it is fondly known, it is only 10 or 15 minutes walk to the "Anglesey Arms" in Onslow Gdns. This is the classic beer snob's pub. A free house, which unfortunately just means that it is not owned by one of the breweries, it sells a wide range of beers including a healthy selection of real ales. Particularly recommended is "Old Peculier," a Yorkshire beer which it is impossible to drink in large quantities. The clientele here are serious beer drinkers and have waitliness to prove it. As a result the pub becomes crowded after comparatively few regulars have entered. When you leave you may well discover why a pub crawl is so named.

IN THE KING'S RD. is the "Chelsea Potter," which was a popular meeting place in the Sixties. Now you tend to find androgynous punk-rockers chained together by the ears, with spiky, shocking pink, orange or green hair, sitting, of necessity, side by side.

Finally we come to the "Dove." A riverside pub, it is reached by walking west from Hammersmith Bridge along the Hammersmith side of the Thames. The haunt of rivermen, writers and artists, it serves good snacks and a lethal beer called "Dynamic," which should probably not be sold quite so close to the river.

All of these pubs are good places for observing the Englishman in his many guises, doing what comes naturally to him: drinking beer. Most of them also serve food, but the beer is the important thing.

"What two ideas are more inseparable than beer and Britannia?" I said to Joe one evening, quoting Sydney Smith. "So Brit," I said, "what would you say to a pint of bitter?"

And Joe, of course, replied, "I'd say, 'Hello, pint of bitter.'"

Trade transplant

By MORAD ASL/Nicosia

whole of the island in 1978 when the northern resorts were flourishing.

Foreign exchange income from tourism on the Greek side this year will rise to an estimated \$112m. from the equivalent of \$100m. in 1978, helping to offset the south's trade deficit.

Hotels in the developing Greek-Cypriot beach resorts of Limassol,

Paphos, Larnaca and Aya Napa are often booked up months in advance. Despite a construction boom, there are still only 10,000 hotel beds to accommodate this year's onslaught of more than a quarter-million guests.

BY CONTRAST, Cyprus's "Miami Beach" of the north — the once thriving Famagusta suburb of Varosha — is a ghost town, sealed off by Turkish troops and held as a pawn in stalled peace negotiations between the island's long-feuding Greek and Turkish communities.

Greek-Cypriots lost 55 modern hotels.

According to Turkish-Cypriot estimates, 120,000 tourists are expected to visit the north this year. Only 15,000 will be from hard-currency Western countries and the rest from the economically depressed Turkish mainland.

The Greek-Cypriot tourist boom has been fuelled by government-backed loans and tax incentives to hoteliers, aggressive salesmanship, business savvy and diplomatic clout.

Sidewalk restaurants in the picturesque northern port of Kyrenia, once teeming with tourists, go begging for customers.

It was 10 kms. west of Kyrenia that Turkish troops first stormed ashore in July 1974 to abort an Athens-inspired coup aimed at annexing the island to mainland Greece.

A Turkish force of up to 30,000 men continues to occupy nearly 40 per cent of the island, which is now effectively divided along ethnic and religious lines. The Greeks are Christians and the Turks Moslems.

The forced partition of the island cost the Greek-Cypriots 70 per cent of their hotel facilities. In the Famagusta-Varosha area alone, the

"TOUR operators doing business with the Greeks are going to think twice before dealing with the north," a Western diplomat here commented. "The (Greek-Cypriot-controlled) government is quick to make diplomatic protests whenever any nation becomes involved in what it considers illegal business dealings with the north."

The Turkish-Cypriots complain that they are being subjected to an economic boycott by the government of President Spyros Kyprianou, but the Greek-Cypriots maintain they only are protecting their legal property, noting that most of the hotels in the north belong to them.

LACK of international recognition has hampered Turkish-Cypriots' efforts to expand their tourist traffic. Only Turkish and Turkish-Cypriot airlines fly to the north's new airport. To get there, air travellers have to go by way of Istanbul.

Few persons, other than diplomats, UN personnel, newsmen and a smattering of foreign residents of the Turkish side, are able to cross between the south and north, cutting down further on the potential number of foreign visitors to the self-proclaimed Turkish Federated State of Cyprus.

The Greek-Cypriots' Larnaca airport, on the southern coast, is busy with international air traffic, much of it charter flights from eastern and western Europe.

For Americans, Cyprus remains relatively undiscovered. They account for only 2,500 of the annual visitors.

Since the Turks have refrained from settling Varosha or making use

of its towering, white hotels, Greek-Cypriots cherish the hope of one day being allowed to return to this Famagusta suburb.

"Beaches in Famagusta are the best in Cyprus," said Andreas Lorodas, a Greek-Cypriot who lost two hotels in the north. "I never thought to invest anywhere else before the Turkish invasion."

Lorodas, who now owns a hotel in Nicosia and is a partner in another at Larnaca Beach, told a reporter that if Varosha were to be relinquished by the Turks, "I would freeze my investments here and go back to invest in Famagusta."

G. M. Georgiades, manager of the five-star Amathus Beach Hotel in Limassol, speculates that if Varosha were to reopen, "we may have a recession for one or two years (in the south). After that, we will recover."

RECOVERY chances would be rated good since officials here predict that tourism will continue to grow at the rate of 15 per cent a year.

Sea, sunshine — more than 300 days of it a year — and a wealth of archaeological sites are among this eastern Mediterranean island's chief tourist assets.

"I was promised sunshine and I got plenty of it," said a 24-year-old blonde from Czechoslovakia who vacationed in Limassol. However, she and other tourists complained of a lack of excitement.

"Night entertainment here is mostly disco," she said. "But the music is repetitious and one or two years behind what is played in my country."

Hotel managers and tourism officials agree that night life could be improved. "Currently, there are about 80 applications to open casinos in Cyprus awaiting government approval," said Georgiades. A number of gambling casinos, including one in Kyrenia, already have opened in the north.

With the possible exception of Aya Napa, beaches in the south cannot match the golden sands of the north. Even the best of southern beaches often lack proper care and local picknickers tend to leave their litter on the sand to be washed out by high tide.

(Associated Press)

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PERILS LURK ON ITALY'S BEACHES

By NORRIS WILLATT/Milan

OF THE THREE main attractions Italy has traditionally offered holiday-makers — sun, sand and sea — the first two are still as welcoming as ever. But the would-be bather is advised to look before he leaps.

The European Economic Commission in Brussels is threatening to take the Italian Government to the EEC Constitutional Court in Luxembourg for failure to observe the minimum health standards laid down by its experts for bathing in seawater.

Pollution has been building up all around the Italian coast for decades, and only recently has any effort been made to deal with it. Chief among the sources of pollution has been the evolution of the tourist industry itself, involving the mass construction of hotels and holiday flats, and the infrastructure to support them.

As a result, enormous volumes of waste, including human waste, are regularly discharged into the sea, and often at very short distances from the shore. In many formerly isolated resort areas, industries have sprung up, and their waste flows out by the same channels.

The chief outside source of pollution is crude oil. Italy is one of

Europe's main oil-refining areas, and that inevitably leads to considerable leakage into the sea of both crude and refined products.

Information about pollution is lacking; the subject is one that neither the government nor the resorts care to refer to. But there's plenty of evidence to support the concern being expressed in Brussels.

For example, a recent UN survey showed that into the waters surrounding Italy are discharged every year some 30,000 tons of organic substances; 18,000 tons of phosphorus; 85,000 tons of nitrogen; 100,000 tons of detergents.

According to World Wildlife Fund sources, the water in the Adriatic contains nearly 5,000 parts per thousand million of hydrocarbons, compared with a maximum of only 1,000 in the North Sea, which has a thriving offshore oil industry.

THE ADRIATIC coast has a cleaner bill than the rest of Italy, and bathing is safe off Rimini and other resorts in that favourite European summer holiday region. The same cannot be said for certain other popular areas.

For example, Genoa has banned bathing in its resort suburbs of Nervi

and Voltri. In the Bay of Naples, all the main beaches of the city have been ruled out of bounds for bathers.

Many have defied the ban and the result has been a noticeable increase in the number of patients in Naples hospitals suffering from skin complaints, virus disorders and hepatitis. The authorities fear another cholera outbreak like that of 1973.

Parliament has passed a law setting minimum standards of cleanliness, and penalties for non-compliance. But enforcement has been delegated to the regions, and many of these have been dragging their feet.

It hasn't helped that the country has been virtually without a central government for several months. Action by the commission in Brussels is said to have been prompted mainly by the lethargic response to its directives.

When the possibility of judicial proceedings was mooted in February, the government asked for a postponement of action for six months, which was granted. That means nothing will be done during this holiday season.

(Observer Foreign News Service)



The Bay of Naples...all the main beaches have been ruled out of bounds. (Daiphe)

JUST BEFORE the opening of Beaubourg cultural centre in Paris each day there is a feeling of anxiety among the staff. The huge forecourt is black with waiting visitors, a foretaste of the rest of the day when an endless procession of people clog the long moving stairway into the ultra-modern building, which has become Paris's top tourist attraction.

Museum for the masses

By PAUL WEBSTER Paris

Paris's favourite tourist spot, the Eiffel Tower.

OFFICIALLY, the management has no complaints. However, most of the staff believe the centre will never fulfil the objectives set by President Pompidou to be "both a museum and a centre of creation" until the human tide is checked.

For instance, the best-known part of the Beaubourg experiment, the three floors of the public information library, long ago became saturated.

The casual visitor who hopes to make use of the self-service reference library or language laboratories has no hope of finding a chair. Already there has been a strike because the staff feel they are little more than cloakroom attendants.

"There's no place for someone who wants to make an unhurried contact with culture," one staff member said. "Beaubourg is an open museum only if you want to go

up to the fifth floor and look at the view of Paris."

The view is one of the main attractions and one of the causes of overcrowding. Recently the management asked tour operators to cut down on the number of coachloads of tourists but it is still the priority, particularly for the Japanese.

There is no pressure yet to charge an entrance fee at Beaubourg but it may come to that if the staff are to be allowed time to help people accept and interpret cultural progress.

"MOST VISITORS don't understand modern art and often become very aggressive, blaming us for trapping them into seeing something that shocks them," a hostess said.

"There's no time to discuss the other point of view. Most visitors are just passing through the place seeing as much as they can in the same way as they would go to the Arc de Triomphe."

This feeling that Beaubourg is just another tourist trap is reflected around the centre, where art galleries are closing one after another.

"We came here because we expected Beaubourg to be the centre of an artistic revolution," one dealer said. "We have discovered that we would be better off selling plastic souvenirs." (Observer Foreign News Service)

THE SAVOY HOTEL, the most British of British institutions, has this month been celebrating its 80th birthday. When it opened in 1889, it immediately made the headlines by being the first building in the capital to use concrete, and it also generated its own electricity. Since then, it has never stopped making news and attracting for its clientele those who make news.

The great Italian tenor Gigli, for example, always stayed there when he was in London. The Prince of Wales, later Edward VII, regularly dined in its restaurant. The exquisite Pavlova danced in cabaret there, and the one and only Charlie Chaplin, on his first return to London after achieving world-wide fame, waved to thousands of fans from his suite overlooking the Thames.

Among other famous names who were frequent visitors to, or guests at, the Savoy have been Noel Coward and Sir Winston Churchill.

At its opening, a single room in the Savoy cost seven shillings and sixpence a day (about 37p in today's money) and a double room with bath was 12 shillings (60p). Apart from the electricity, another innovation was the "speaking tube," the forerunner of the telephone. Guests

Hotel of charm and elegance

By HYAM CORNEY/Post London Correspondent

were provided with instructions on its use and could order anything from a cup of tea to a cocktail to be brought to their room "in the twinkling of an Embankment lamp."

It was not these new-fangled inventions, however, that really established the reputation of the Savoy. It was rather the excellence of its management and of its cuisine. Richard D'Oyly Carte, first owner of the hotel, succeeded in persuading Cesar Ritz, one of Europe's leading hoteliers, to desert the Continent and come to England. And he brought with him as the *maitre chef des cuisines* the great Escoffier.

Between the two of them, they made the Savoy the legend it is today. Cesar Ritz, for example, engaged Johan Strauss to play in the

restaurant and insisted, too, that diners wore evening dress. Within a short period of time, the Savoy was the most fashionable place in London. Escoffier, who gave its cuisine an international reputation, had a similar penchant for the flamboyant gesture. When the famous Australian opera singer Dame Nellie Melba dined there, he invented in her honour the "peche Melba" — a fresh peach poached in vanilla syrup, served on a layer of vanilla ice cream and coated with raspberry purée. For her diet, he is reputed to have invented Melba toast.

The Savoy has always had close links with the famous Gilbert and Sullivan light operas. It is through that pair, in fact, that the hotel came to be built. Richard D'Oyly Carte

was a young impresario who introduced writer Gilbert to composer Sullivan. Such was the success of the Gilbert and Sullivan operas that D'Oyly Carte decided to invest in a theatre in which to present them.

He bought a piece of vacant land and in 1881 the theatre, named the Savoy, opened (it is still there today). It was, incidentally, the first theatre in London to use electric lights. Three years later, he decided to build a hotel on a large piece of weed-covered land alongside the theatre.

The family connection with the hotel has been carried on right up to the 1970s. Richard D'Oyly Carte's granddaughter, Bridget D'Oyly Carte, is in charge of the hotel's interior decoration. The Gilbert and Sullivan link is still evident in the names of private dining rooms — the Gondoliers Room, the HMS Pinafore Room and the Mikado Room.

Though the hotel today has all the modern conveniences of the '70s in its 400 bedrooms and 100 suites, it still retains much of the charm and elegance of a bigger era. And its restaurant is still acclaimed as one of the best in London, if not in the world.

AMONG the tens of thousands of tourists trekking about the world, few have any real contact with people from different cultural backgrounds. The West African country of Senegal has recognized this and is doing something about it with a different formula for young tourists.

It is not for the seeker after strange things but for the discoverer: the tourist goes to a village that has had little contact with foreigners and lives in a complex built and run by the villagers. The amenities are simple: a bed made from raffia, a mattress, mosquito net, lavatory, shower and an abundance of often good local food.

The first project is being organized by the Artisan Centre at Ziguinchor in Casamance, a region of Senegal south of The Gambia, recognized as one of Africa's most beautiful areas. Its coastline is dotted with many small islands and bays ideal for fishing.

The project has a double advantage. For as well as promoting fruitful contacts between tourists and natives, it enables the people to play a major role in their own development. Profits are ploughed back into other activities.

There have been many initial problems. Regional and local authorities backed the idea with enthusiasm, but in many villages the local people were wary at first. At Enamore, one of the new complex sites, 32 meetings were held before the villagers accepted the idea.

For the first complexes, outside finance had to be found to pay for materials and labour. For later projects the villagers supplied both. The administration is responsible only for plumbing and equipment such as

Holiday of discovery

By UVEDALE TRISTRAM/London

oil lamps and crockery.

Then there have been tribal rivalries, with squabbles between villages. The Senegalese magazine "Famille et Developpement" reports that in several villages the price of food shot up, as the farmers believed they would be selling directly to the tourists. Evidently the profit lure was stronger than the idea of collective interest.

And the tourists themselves create problems. Their forms of "undress" have had a more serious effect in the villages than in the towns. Also there were those who scattered sweets and loose change in patronizing handfuls and took snapshots of all and sundry with a total lack of consideration.

Hallmarks of the accommodation

are coolness and cleanliness. "Famille et Developpement" makes this comment: "Tourists discover to their great amusement, that they are perfectly capable of living without all the gadgets they thought so indispensable to their comfort." A room in a village complex costs about £1.50 a day, and midday and evening meals about £1.25.

Projects can be established with a comparatively modest outlay. A typical complex costs about 80,000 African francs (£1 = 428 African francs), while a first-class hotel costs eight million African francs. Moreover, most furniture and equipment for a luxury hotel has to be imported.

The complexes are run entirely by the villagers, as co-operatives, and profits go for other economic and social activities, market gardening, fruit growing, animal breeding, fishing, handicrafts and auxiliary medical services. (General News Service)

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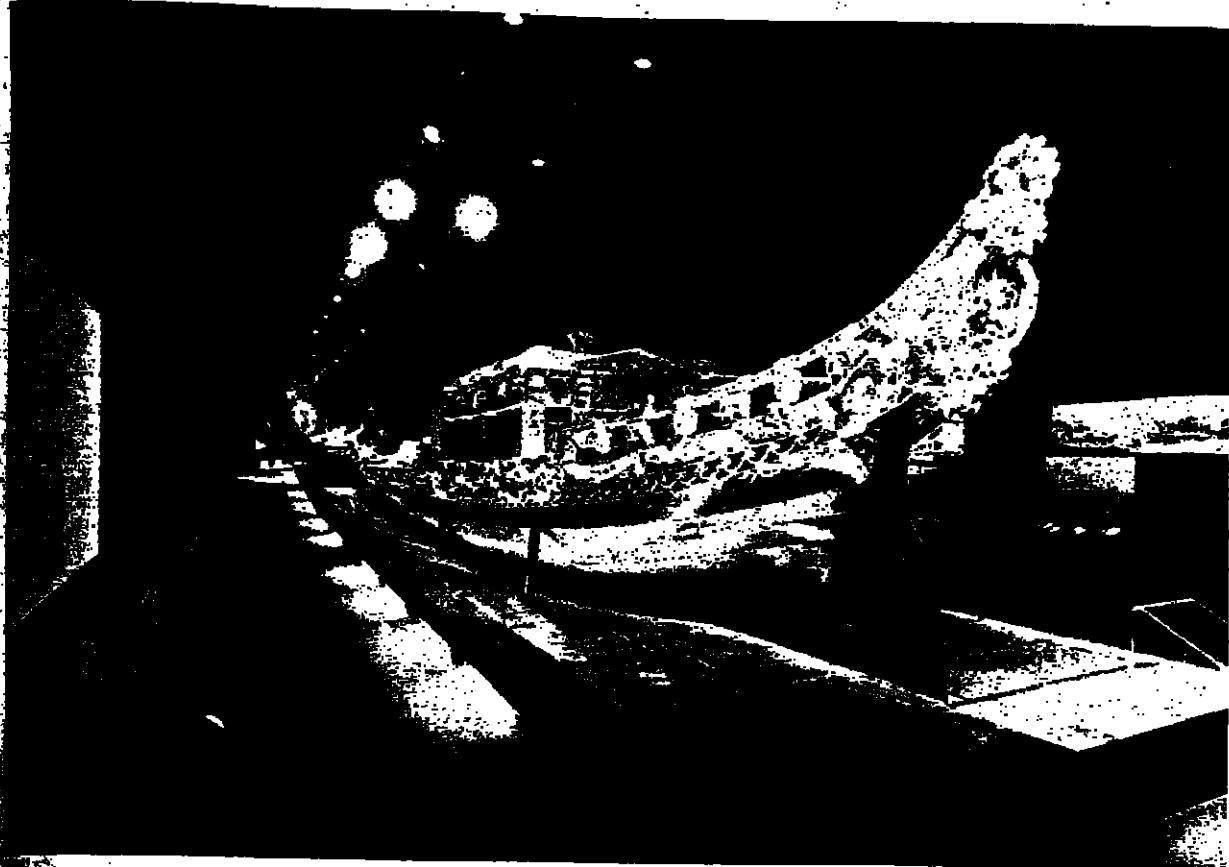
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A reconstruction of the Sutton Hoo

MARITIME AND MUSICAL ROOTS

By ALEC FORREEST and ERIC MASON/London

REPUTEDLY the largest and most complex institution of its kind, the National Maritime Museum occupies an elegant group of buildings designed by Sir Christopher Wren — and attracts more than 1,000,000 visitors a year.

Its parkland site by the Thames at Greenwich, in southeast London, formerly housed the Tudor palace of Placentia where Henry VIII held court and Queen Elizabeth I was born.

Masterminded by Director Basil Greenhill, the museum has now completed a 10-year programme of reorganisation. An artistically reconstructed west wing includes galleries devoted to the archaeology of water transport. These glassfibre moulds are displayed of three significant recoveries from British mud.

During drainage work in the Graveney, Kent, the remains of a remarkable 7th-century Roman merchant wreck, now called the Graveney boat, was discovered. The stern and two thirds of the hull survived. Excavated with great care, these parts were dated by radio carbon assay to the mid-7th century C.E. Study of details surviving in the boat's frames, keel plank and oak stern post disclose for the first time how boats of that period were made.

More sensational, because of the treasure recovered, the Sutton Hoo ship burial in eastern England is thought to commemorate the East Anglian King Raedwald who died in 625 CE. Its superb furnishings, including the dead man's decorated face mask, and gold belt fittings and purse lid mounted with decorated gold plaques, are displayed in the British Museum.

Owing to the aerated soil in which the boat was embedded no wood was preserved, but the sand did retain the boat's shape — almost perfect in its soil printing.

From 500 photographs taken of this site the gallery's specialists have reconstructed the boat's bow. The ship's total overall length was 27.15m, maximum beam 4.6m and internal depth amidships 1.3m. Though no sign of mast or mast support appeared, the boat was probably propelled by a single square sail with a large steering oak on the starboard.

THE RIVER Humber in northern England provides the museum with its earliest recoveries. Skeletons of three boats, drawn out of the ooze at Ferryby between 1937 and 1963, date to the Bronze Age (c 1,500 B.C.E.) and rate as the oldest plank boats in Europe.

They are too fragile to show, but the glassfibre mould of the finest specimen shows that its keel plank was cut close to the centre of an oak log at least 15.13m long with a minimum diameter of 76cm. No nails were used in the boat's construction, their planks being sewn or glued together. Admirably water-

tight it seems, they served ancient man to ferry passengers and stock across rivers.

Besides showing these major boat finds and panoramic views of their riverside settings, the gallery illustrates archaeological techniques for conserving wood that has been waterlogged for centuries. There are displays, too, of tools used by ancient boatbuilders — from stone age man with his flint tools to the axes, adzes and breast augers used by William the Conqueror's shipwrights.

An audiovisual display in another gallery shows how a typical 18th century sailing vessel was handled. The 6m-long model used is that of HMS Cornwallis, a 74 gun ship of the line launched in May 1815 and built of oak in Bombay. She carried 590 officers and men, first seeing action in 1815.

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THE LIBRARY, a goldmine for naval architects, historians and research workers in maritime affairs, comprises more than 80,000 volumes and holds the private papers of more than 100 of Britain's top seamen. These include sets of documents which belonged to two brothers of the English novelist Jane Austen, both admirals.

There are some 30,000 marine paintings, though never more than 3,000 are on view at any one time.

This year marks the bicentenary of the death of Captain James Cook, and the new Cook gallery houses some superb paintings and relics of his three round-the-world voyages of discovery. The museum is staging an exhibition entitled "Captain Cook and Mr. Hodges, painter." William Hodges, the Admiralty's official artist on Cook's second expedition, matched his genius to that of the adventurous navigator.

ESTABLISHED in a converted shop at 62 Princedale Road in the Holland Park district of west London, the Early Music Centre has expanded into several neighbouring buildings and is seeking bigger premises to meet the demand for its services. For it has become an international forum for everyone interested in this fascinating subject.

This year's full-time performers' course for advanced students of the renaissance lute has attracted players from Denmark, New Zealand and Canada. Another course for lutenists will begin in September, and the same month will see the start of a course for students of the viol and another for professional singers.

The vocal studies, for example, will cover the renaissance and baroque periods in England, Italy,

Germany, France and Spain. Specialist singers will teach ornamentation and the other skills required.

The centre serves amateurs as well as professional performers and caters for every age group from three years upwards. It arranges master classes and conventions and students can attend evening classes on the lute, the viol, early wind and keyboard instruments, voice, renaissance dancing and lute making.

Saturday morning classes for children have proved very popular. And if you own a harpsichord the centre will even teach you how to maintain it.

Of course, if one wants to play early music the first requirement is an instrument made for the purpose. The Early Music Centre is meeting this need too. Craftsmen are making instruments there.

One of the lute makers, Klara Fort Jacobsen from Denmark, arrived to learn the craft from Michael Sprake and is now in business on his own account, lovingly shaping yew and ebony into fine-tuned instruments. At the same time Barry Mason, director of the Camerata of London, with child players in mind, has started the development of a cheaper lute with a plastics body.

AS THE CENTRE'S reputation has grown it has naturally had to deal with many enquiries. Its information service answers questions from many countries about early music activities in Britain and elsewhere. The centre has a valuable reference library with facilities for photocopying — and next door there is Brian Jordan's bookshop, which sells facsimiles of manuscripts, modern editions of early music for the performer, and gramophone records. Some of the music dates back to 1300.

The centre also administers the Early Music Network, which has 11 professional ensembles on tour in Britain. They give 100 concerts a year, with financial support from the Arts Council of Great Britain and regional arts associations.

The highlight of the centre's year is its annual music festival in London. More than 3,000 people attended the first one in 1977, and last year a week of concerts ranged across the centuries from the medieval era to the baroque. For this year's festival in September the centre plans its most ambitious undertaking so far: a performance of Bach's Mass in B minor sung in correct style and accompanied on authentic instruments.

Peter Williamson, one of the centre's executives, explained the problem. "The sound is quite different when baroque music is played on the instruments of the period. But it is not just a matter of using the right instruments. One must also learn the playing techniques of the period."

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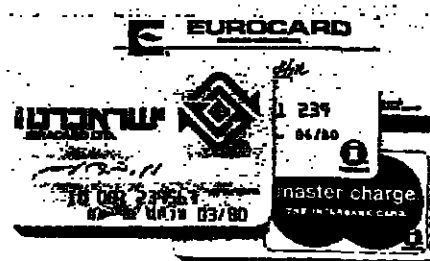
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Sports

Nastase, Okker to play in Succot tennis tournament

By JACK LEON, Post Sports Reporter. AVIV. — Rumanian ace Ilie Nastase, title-holder and former Wimbledon champion Tom Okker of the Netherlands and South Africa's world doubles champion Bob Hewitt and New Zealand's second-ranked tennis player, Peter Fraser, will be among the star attractions of the Israel Tennis Federation's second annual Succot Tennis Professionals tournament at Ramat Hasharon from October 8 to 13.

The meet, being played off during the Succot holidays, is worth \$50,000 in prize money, and thus designated a full Colgate Grand Prix event by the ATP — a status not enjoyed by last autumn's \$25,000 tournament here. The tournament is again being sponsored by Sabra Liqueur, together with Appetiser, Elite, and Hilton Hotels, ITC, executive director Ian Froman told the press yesterday. A full list of participants is still awaited from ATP offices in Dallas, Texas, and Paris, but it is already clear that the unexpectedly large entry will necessitate a three-day qualifying meet for the main singles draw of 32 and doubles draw of 16. Tournament managers are Froman and Edouard Goldberg, and Jackie Saul is referee. Nastase, brilliant but hot-tempered, has been a controversial character on the international tennis circuit for the past decade. He has won most of the game's top singles honours, including the U.S., French and Italian championships, and was Wimbledon runner-up to American Jimmy Conn in 1972, losing 5-7 in the fifth set — and Sweden's Bjorn Borg two years ago. The Rumanian star has captured the Grand Prix masters' title four times and the world championship Tennis Challenge Cup on three occasions.



Israel's Remi Miron watches the shoulders of Rodi Marro of Switzerland as he works on a pin in their 74-kilo match on Sunday at the World Wrestling Championships in San Diego, California. (AP radiophoto)

Soviets dominate wrestling meet

SAN DIEGO, California (Reuter). — Soviet wrestlers captured three gold, one silver and one bronze medal, and the U.S. three silver and a bronze, as five freestyle weight class champions were crowned at the World Wrestling Championships here Monday night. Sergey Kornelev retained his title at 48 kilos, and Russian compatriots Mikhail Charchura and Ilya Mate respectively won the 68 kilos and 100 kilos. Other winners included Japan's Hideaki Tomiyama at 57 kilos and Istvan Kovacs of Hungary at 82 kilos. Tomiyama also won last year. Kornelev claimed a convincing 15-7 decision over American Bob Weaver, the silver medalist, in the

final match of the weight class. Tomiyama recovered from a point deficit to score a pin with only five seconds remaining against Joe Corso of the U.S. in their deciding match. American hopes of gold were dashed in the final matches of both the 62 and 100 kilo classes. John Peterson, an Olympic gold medalist, needed a victory over the Soviet Union's Magomet Aratkhov at 62 kilos to clinch the gold medal. The match ended 5-5, but Aratkhov was declared the winner under a system determined by FILA, wrestling's governing body. U.S. officials protested, but after nearly two hours of deliberation, FILA upheld the result.

U.S. Baseball

Table with columns: Team, W, L, PCT., GB. Rows include Baltimore, Boston, Milwaukee, New York, Detroit, Cleveland, Toronto, California, Kansas City, Minnesota, Texas, Chicago, Seattle, Oakland.

Monday's Games. Toronto 7, Oakland 9; Minnesota 4-1, Baltimore 5-5; Seattle 4, Cleveland 5, 12 innings; Detroit 3, California 2; Boston 4, Chicago 3; Kansas City 16, Milwaukee 9, 19 innings; New York 7, Texas 4.

NATIONAL LEAGUE. Pittsburgh 76 54 .581, Montreal 69 64 .521, Chicago 69 65 .513, St. Louis 67 69 .493, Philadelphia 65 69 .486, New York 62 75 .449.

Monday's games. Houston 3, Montreal 6; Cincinnati 4, Philadelphia 2; San Diego 5, Chicago 4, 10 innings; Los Angeles 4, Pittsburgh 2; Only games scheduled.

BASKETBALL. — Argentina defeated France 102-81 at home Monday night in a second leg match of the third Intercontinental Basketball Cup. Argentina led 46-33 at halftime. In today's matches, Argentina faces the USSR and the U.S. plays against France.

Moscow eyes UK-South Africa rugby

JOHANNESBURG (Reuter). — Plans announced late Monday for a multi-racial South African rugby tour of Britain and Ireland in October, initiated by British Isles sports unions, have already threatened to raise controversy over the hosts' participation in next year's Moscow Olympic Games. Danie Craven, president of the South African Rugby Board, said the "Barbarians," made up of eight whites, eight coloureds (mixed race) and eight blacks, would play twice each in England, Ireland, Scotland and Wales. Earlier this year, a mixed-race Barbarians team played against the touring English country side Middlesex. Craven said he was confident the planned South African rugby tour of France would also go ahead, in spite of threats of action by black African nations.

African nations boycotted the last Olympic Games in Montreal because New Zealand was allowed to compete after a rugby team from there toured South Africa. Asked to comment on the announcement of the tour, a spokesman for the Soviet Olympic organizing committee in Moscow said: "We are and always have been opposed to all sporting contacts with the racist regime of South Africa." Concerning the possibility of Britain being excluded from the Olympics if the tour goes ahead, the spokesman said: "If the International Olympic Committee carries out any decision, we shall carry it out."

A bad day for Indian cricketers

NOTTINGHAM, England. — The Indian cricket team lost a match and had Mohinder Amarnath injured in a disastrous day at the Trent Bridge ground Monday. Nottinghamshire bowled the Indians out for 181 in their second innings and then scored 113 for four to win by six wickets. Amarnath, top scorer for the Indians with 59, was hit on the head by a bouncer from Richard Hadlee, the New Zealand test bowler. He collapsed unconscious on his stumps, was given out by the umpire, and was taken to hospital for treatment. The accident to Amarnath happened immediately before another run had been added. That left the Indians in a pretty hopeless position but Venkat, batting at No. 10, hit out bravely and scored 22 before being caught. Hadlee took four wickets for 38, in-

cluding the controversial wicket of Amarnath, and was Nottinghamshire's most successful bowler. Clive Rice, the South African fast bowler, took four for 44. At Taunton on Monday, another South African all-rounder, Mike Procter, scored a spectacular 93 for Gloucestershire in an English County Cricket championship match against Somerset. Procter raced to his 50 in 23 minutes with eight sixes off left arm spinner Dennis Breakwell, all in their coming off successive balls in two overs. He had been batting for only 48 minutes when bowled by Ian Botham. Essex, assured of the county title, led Surrey by 13 runs on first innings at Chelmsford but then lost the initiative as 21-year-old fast bowler Hugh Wilson reduced them to 44 for three in their second innings.

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'Cast me not aside in old age' The retired person who continues working loses half his pension

The age of retirement should be individualized, not based on bureaucratic decree, says Histadrut official Ya'acov Vilan. He has harsh words for the National Insurance Institute's policy on pensions for those who continue working beyond retirement age. MACABEE DEAN reports, in the second of a series of articles.

TEL AVIV. — The policy of the National Insurance Institute regarding the "healthy elderly who want to work and who can work" is called "pure idiocy" by Ya'acov Vilan, chairman of the Social Security Centre in the Histadrut.

In fact, Vilan uses another word to describe this policy, and it is "cretinism", a word defined in the Webster dictionary as "a congenital morbid condition, characterized by deformity, with gutter or virtual absence of the thyroid gland, and, commonly, idiocy".



Elderly bookbinder who has not forgotten any of his skills.

"The pensioners, men past the age of 65 or women over 60, who go out to work and get a fair salary, get their social insurance pension cut in half. Why? The Institute believes if these elderly persons get both wages and a pension they will have too much money. "And if they indeed have 'too much money' — although I've met very, very few pensioners with 'too much money' — so what? The elderly man (or woman) who works and benefits, for he feels useful and wanted. The economy benefits, for he increases the productive output of the country, and I can see where the National Insurance Institute loses. After all, the pension they give a working pensioner consists only of returning to him the money which was deducted from his pay cheque for decades."

65, and who lives in Kibbutz Negba, is personally not worried about losing his National Insurance pension, or any other one. When he returns to the kibbutz he will continue to work, as have so many other "elderly" persons there.

"At Kibbutz Negba? An undertaking to make ready-to-wear clothes was set up for those who could no longer take the hard physical work outside. One-third of the 50 persons employed in this plant are past the age of 70, only three are "youngsters." And let me tell you, these elderly persons, who would have been thrown on an 'old-age scrap pile' in the city, are an inspiration to everybody else in the kibbutz. They have a high work morale and they display that old pioneering spirit."

Vilan has no idea how many pensioners are working in Israel, and how many are not working due to the halving of their National Insurance pension. He does not believe that anyone has any statistics, and if there are such statistics, they are not accurate.

He does know that about eight per cent of all Israelis are above the age of 60 for women and 65 for men, and that the percentage is steadily increasing. This gives a figure of about 300,000 persons.

According to Kupat Holim figures, 85 per cent of these 300,000 function excellently or quite well for their age, another 13 per cent can take care of themselves in most cases, although they are more or less house-bound, that is, they must live within a family circle where some of their needs can be supplied by others. Only two per cent of the 300,000 are actually bed-ridden.

Accurate figures on pensioners who work are impossible to obtain, he claims, for two reasons: both they and their employers "simply lie in order to cheat the National Insurance Institute."

"Look, you want to continue working, and we need you. Work a full day (or two-thirds of a day) and I will see to it that you receive only credit for a few hours a day, so little, in fact, that the National Insurance Institute will not have any reason to dock your pension. Thus, you will receive from me, together with what the Institute gives you, the same amount as if you were working a full day."

The employer is not likely to come forward and announce that he is exploiting the worker or the Institute. The employer is also happy with this state of affairs. He works, he

feels useful, and he is continuing to contribute to society. The employee is also not likely to tell the truth, for his total income has not changed.

"So," Vilan says, "we have no idea, and we don't think we will ever have an idea, how many such situations exist in the country."

Though he does not justify this situation, Vilan says he understands it. "Why should the worker living on a pension, who is contributing to the productive sector, be at a disadvantage compared with the middle-class person who has all sorts of private investments which provide him with an income which he does not declare, or even those who receive non-taxable reparations from Germany? "They can sit at home and enjoy, all their pension from the Institute without working, without contributing to the welfare of the country. Why should the productive worker be penalized?"

Vilan would like the present "system of idiocy" changed for one of "sanity."

"Let the workers enjoy their entire Institute pension. Let them continue to be productive and get a salary fitting their output. Moreover, adopt a flexible system of retirement. Some persons, due to the work they perform and due to poor health, are worn out years before they reach the age of mandatory retirement. Others have done easier work all their lives and are in excellent health at the age of 65. The age of retirement should be individualized, not based on a bureaucratic decree."

The strange thing is that Vilan admits that he fought long years for the compulsory retirement system.

"But then, things were different. There was unemployment in Israel and we had to retire the elderly so the middle-aged men and women could move up one grade in the hierarchy of command, so the youngsters could find work, get married and start a family."

But the situation is different today. We have over-employment on one hand and plenty of pensioners who want to work, but who don't care to cheat the Institute, he says.

But what will happen if the situation changes? If unemployment returns? Or if even the thousands of "hidden unemployed" in the civil service are fired and have to find new jobs?

"We'll solve that problem when we come to it. But the worst that can happen is that the situation will return then to what it is today."



Plastic bomb casings manufactured by Rotoplas are inspected by Industry and Trade Minister Gideon Peat during a recent tour of the Jerusalem industrial area.

Jordan Exploration had only IL1.7m. earnings for 1978/79

By JOSEPH MORGENSTERN Post Finance Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Jordan Exploration and Investment Co. has just reported net current earnings of IL1.7m. for the year ending March 31, 1979. The earnings were nearly identical to those achieved a year ago.

The shares of this investment company, whose main assets are connected with real estate investments, were at one time the most talked about securities registered on the Tel Aviv Stock Exchange. In 1978 these shares yielded a return of no less than 48 per cent. In 1977, a record year for security prices, the shares yielded 82 per cent.

However, 1978 marked a serious setback for the shares, as they showed a net loss of 14 per cent. 1979 has also been a difficult year as far as the yield on Jordan shares are concerned.

Jordan has a major stake in Tel Aviv's Dizengoff Centre as well as in industrial and commercial real estate holdings in Jerusalem. Other investments include insurance agencies as well as a stake in oil exploration in the Sadot and Alma fields, as well as in Texas.

The oil investments, listed at IL12m., so far have yielded little income and the investment appears in the balance sheet as a net expense of IL8m.

Nevertheless, total consolidated assets grew by more than 50 per cent and stood at IL128m. at the balance sheet date. Commissions and income from services are well ahead of last year's figures and reached IL6.8m.

Income from real estate advanced and gross profits from rentals were IL5m., reflecting a 172 per cent increase over a year ago. A capital gain of IL3.5m. was also included on the income side.

On the disbursements side general expenses were 180 per cent higher and stood at IL17m.

Earnings per share were four per cent, as compared with five per cent a year earlier. Together with 34c capital gains, the earnings duplicate those of the 1977/78 period.

Successful drive to get Israelis to visit their own capital

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Israeli tourists visiting Jerusalem feel like second-class visitors, Yehuda Greenbaum, president of the Jerusalem Hotel Association told The Post recently.

He said that the feeling was discovered as a result of a survey taken by the association as part of a drive to attract more local visitors to the capital. He said that the Israelis were put off by such standard hotel practices as signs in English only and prices in dollars.

He also noted that the Israelis found it difficult to get around in Jerusalem and complained of unclear street signs and direction markers, a fact which no doubt has implications for foreign visitors as well.

The drive itself was a great success, he said, and Israelis helped fill the hotels this month. Before the publicity drive, he said, a market research survey showed that most Israelis were reticent to visit Jerusalem because they assumed that the city's hotels were filled with foreign tourists. In fact, Greenbaum noted, there are certain periods, even in the summer, when there is plenty of room.

June, for example, one of the most pleasant months in the capital, shows a regular dearth of foreigners. The results of the publicity drive also showed that it had been a mistake not to run such a project before. Now the hoteliers are planning a similar effort for the winter.

Another project which it is hoped will fill the city's hotels in the slack periods is a special drive to encourage elderly people from abroad to visit the city. The "Golden Age in Jerusalem" project would offer a complete package tour to clubs for the elderly in Germany and France.

Haifa building workers out on strike

HAIFA. — Over 200 building workers employed on eight construction sites in this area by the contracting firms of Ya'acov Riklis & Sons and A. Aaronson stopped work yesterday in a labour dispute between the Histadrut and the private building sector.

The labour council spokesman explained that the large public construction firms, among them Solel Boneh and Rassoco, had granted their workers a 30 per cent wage increase.

Refrigerators checked

Refrigerators in most grocery stores are not kept at the legal temperature, according to a study released yesterday by the Jerusalem district health office. The investigators made unannounced spot checks in stores in the Jerusalem region.

The law states that a refrigerator containing milk cannot be warmer than 10 degrees centigrade. The team found that thermostats in most places were not properly set. (Him)

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Income tax rates up 25 per cent since 1975

By SHLOMO MAOZ Post Economic Reporter

Tax rates have risen by 25-29 per cent in real terms since 1975, studies by Knesset Finance Committee economist Semadar Elhanan show.

The main reasons for the rise are the erosion of tax brackets by the rapid rate of inflation because of their linkage by only 70 per cent to the consumer price index; the time lag in adjusting the brackets; and the increase in National Insurance contributions from 3.3 per cent to 4.4 per cent.

A worker who in July 1975 earned the equivalent in today's values of IL1,200, paid an average of 21.6 per cent of that sum in taxes, including his National Insurance contribution. Today he would pay 27.1 per cent of his salary in tax.

And someone earning IL24,200 a month today has to pay an average of 36.2 per cent to the state, while in 1975 on an equivalent sum the proportion

paid in tax would have been only 28.1 per cent.

Moving up the scale, an executive earning IL28,000 a month pays 39.3 per cent in tax, while in 1975 he paid 30.7 per cent.

A working mother who earns IL13,200 pays some 18.2 per cent of it in tax, as against 15 per cent of the equivalent sum in July 1975, when the income tax return took effect. This represents a rise in the real taxation level of 25 per cent. Working mothers have benefited by the increase in tax credit points.

The minimum taxable income in July this year was IL3,108, as against the equivalent in current terms of IL2,984 in July 1975.

In more down-to-earth terms, if you earn IL2,100 a month now, you spent the first 13 days of this month working for the taxman. In July 1975, on an equivalent sum, by breakfast on the 10th of the month you would have begun earning for your own needs.

SEC sues Meshulam Riklis

By JOSEPH MORGENSTERN Post Finance Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Meshulam Riklis, the Israeli who became a multimillionaire in the U.S., has been accused in a suit filed by the American Securities and Exchange Commission of inadequately disclosing a number of transactions in which there was a conflict of interest.

Riklis is chairman of Rapid-American, a retail conglomerate based in New York, whose shares are registered for trading on the New York Stock Exchange. At the heart of the suit are allegations that Riklis negotiated or approved transactions between Rapid-American and individuals to whom he either owed money or with whom he had personal business dealings. The SEC contends that these transactions took place in 1977

and at a time when Riklis' personal liabilities stood at about \$60m.

Riklis' did not make any comment as to the charges levelled against him.

More specifically, Riklis is being charged with ordering Rapid-American or one of its subsidiaries to pay finders fees or to enter into consulting agreements with people to whom he was indebted. Furthermore, it is alleged that Riklis, on nine separate occasions, either negotiated or approved employment arrangements for executives who either were then or later became his personal creditors, or who had some business relationship with him.

Rapid-American, for its part, stated that the Securities Exchange Commission's complaint "did not allege fraud, venality or misappropriation of any assets of Rapid or its subsidiaries."

On and off the boycott lists

ABU DHABI (UPI). — Four top Japanese manufacturers of electrical goods have been removed from the Arab boycott list, the semi-official Emirates News Agency said yesterday.

It quoted a list released by the government of the emirate of Dubai, one of the seven component parts of the United Arab Emirates, as saying Matsushita Electrical, manufacturers under the National brand name, Hitachi Ltd., Nippon Electric and the Sharp Corporation had been removed from the official boycott list.

"They had been under 'partial boycott', the paper said."

The Dubai list, issued following approval from the Damascus-based Israel Boycott Office, also cleared a further 500 companies including Honeywell Information Systems and its subsidiaries, Han-Thermotank, James Scott & Co., and the manufacturers of Samsonite suitcases.

The paper said 24 companies had been added to the boycott list, including the giant British printing machinery manufacturer, Linotype Machinery Ltd., whose American holding company, the Eltra Corp., is already under boycott.

Eight Asian subsidiaries of Colgate-Palmolive, also already on the list, have been added to the boycott, the paper said.

El Al can't stop charters, joins the tenuous business

By BARUCH SAVILLE Post Travel Reporter

El Al, a long opponent of uncontrolled air charter traffic, is grudging itself for a new concession.

Last year's loss of some \$15m. in revenue, due to charter infiltration of some of El Al's most lucrative routes, has led the national airline to adopt an "if you can't beat 'em, join 'em" attitude.

Anticipating the threat, El Al established its own "Charter Services" subsidiary over three years ago. According to company chairman Mordechai Ben-Ari, El Al carried some 90,000 charter passengers in its planes in the last year.

Ben-Ari recently said that El Al would not go out for charters in a big way "which will surprise the industry," but refused to elaborate further.

The U.S. government's "open skies" and deregulation policy, and Israel's total relaxing of all charter restrictions, are widely reflected in travel pattern changes.

In 1978, 120,000 of 871,000 total tourists arriving by air came on charters, an increase of 48 per cent over the previous year. But the charter increase had little effect on the total number of tourists, which increased by only 6 per cent.

This year, 12 UK charter operators will pick up Israeli-bound passengers from 11 different points throughout the country, including for the first

time, the heavily Jewish centres of Leeds, Manchester and Glasgow.

"Yet charters have increased, but overall tourism is all but stagnant," a London travel agent said, adding that all the charters have done is to keep passengers from using the scheduled airlines. In the seven-year period from 1971 to 1978, tourism by air increased by only 60 per cent while charter volume rose from 22,000 in 1971 to 120,000 in 1978, an increase of some 400 per cent.

In April, El Al is scheduled to commence a new U.S. destination, Los Angeles. But when tourism from the West Coast was booming, two big charter operators from the area, hoping to bring some 100,000 additional tourists to Israel, folded.

Other only registering some 9,000 passengers, charters from Canada to be operated by the Big Wardair company and Skyline never even took off on a single flight.

Certain kinds of charters no doubt appeal to lower and middle-class travellers, but while perhaps adding slightly to the overall tourist figure, their real contribution to Israel's long-range tourism prospects is being questioned.

London travel agent Rafi Caplan, who is exclusively in Israel on packages, warned in the reputable UK "Travel Trade Gazette" that charter flights without inclusive tour packages could spell serious trouble for Israel tourism.

IL25m. for tourism development projects in the north of the country

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Tourism development for the north of the country will include projects costing some IL25m., the tourism administration announced recently.

The projects, undertaken by the Government Tourism Corporation, will centre on the Jordan Valley, Lake Kinneret and the Mediterranean shore. They will include a large national park in Beit Shean, encompassing the amphitheatre and the Roman forum, with provisions for picnics.

Another effort will involve reconstruction of antiquities at the hot springs of Hamat Gader, including an ancient synagogue, a

Roman theatre and the Roman baths themselves. At the mouth of the Jordan, the corporation is to erect an enclosed baptismal area for pilgrims.

In Tiberias the boardwalk is being extended along Lake Kinneret. Along the northeast shore of the lake, an area set aside for popular tourism, roads are being laid as the infrastructure is being prepared for camping grounds and hostels.

Beit Pitsa, one of the first Jewish settlements in the country, is being reconstructed, with its old section to be a living museum. Among the buildings to be reconstructed are the synagogue, the baths, and a farmer's home with all his tools.

\$1b. a year for population problems

COLOMBO (Reuters). — Developing countries need a minimum of one billion dollars a year by 1984 to deal with their population problems, a top United Nations official said yesterday.

Rafael Salas, executive director of the UN Fund for Population Activities (UNFPA), warned of serious national and international instability if population trends were ignored.

In an address prepared for delivery to delegates from 85 countries attending a UN Inter-parliamentary Union Conference on Population here, Salas said an expenditure of a billion dollars a year represented a 30 per cent increase on the current level of aid for population programmes. Neither the Soviet Union nor China is represented. "There may be a need to transform the social institutions of our society and for a world-wide

redistribution of goods and services," Salas said.

"Not only to improve the access of nearly two-thirds of the world's population to the basic needs required for sustaining a tolerable human life, but also to accommodate the needs of a further two billion human beings who will be added to the world population in the next 20 years," he added.

Swiss bank deal

ZURICH (UPI). — The Swiss National Bank announced yesterday it has authorized the World Bank to offer notes denominated in Swiss francs to foreign central banks, on condition the operation does not cause exchange rate disturbances. The amount involved and the date of issue will be announced at a later date, the Swiss bank said.

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Money Matters

Improvement in equities as linked bonds rise

TEL AVIV. — Index-linked bonds rose yesterday with 8.5 per cent Defense Loans, "double-option" and 100 per cent linked issues showing gains of as much as 1.5 per cent. Trading activity picked up somewhat, but at 11.31 a.m. it was quite moderate.

Stocks & bonds—the market report

For the time being, FIBI is providing the best performance among commercial bank shares. General Bank added two points with others advancing by one point. Union Bank and Leumi traded unchanged.

Electric Corporation workers, which have resulted in power blackouts throughout the country, investors sold its shares, resulting in a 4.4 per cent drop to 302.

Closing prices on the Tel Aviv Stock Exchange

Table with columns for stock names, closing prices, volume, and changes. Includes categories like Commercial Banks, Housing, Prop. & Bldg., and various individual stocks.

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Representative bond prices

Table listing bond prices with columns for bond name, price, and change. Includes items like 6.5% Defense loan, 4% Gov't development, and various government bonds.

New York Stock Exchange

Table showing closing prices for various New York Stock Exchange stocks as of August 28, 1979. Includes Dow Jones Industrial Average and various company stocks.

Bank of Israel representative foreign exchange rates—August 28

Table of foreign exchange rates for various currencies including U.S. dollar, British sterling, French franc, and others.

Processes and patents from England

By MACABEE DEAN Jerusalem Post Reporter. A LIGHTWEIGHT portable explosive detector, which responds within one second to explosives vapours, has been developed by A-One Security, London Road, Pamplford, Cambridgeshire.

Local firm refuses to insure huge building project in Saudi Arabia

Jerusalem Post Reporter. TEL AVIV. — The Sahar Insurance Company has refused to accept an offer to insure the El-Namata contractors, who are building the Abdul Aziz Military Academy, some 60 km. from Riyadh, in Saudi Arabia.

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NAMIR SOUNDS THE ALARM

Post Political Correspondent MARK SEGAL talks to Ora Namir about her concerns over the education system.



Ora Namir (Avi Ben-Giat)

IN A FEW days' time school bells will be heard once more throughout the land as classes reopen. But an even louder bell — an alarm bell — has been rung by Knesset education committee chairman Ora Namir at the direction in which our educational system is being propelled.

The Labour MK acknowledged the right of a new minister to introduce his own people into his department, but she held that education could not be treated like any other ministry. She did not doubt that the minister, NRP youth circle leader Zevulun Hammer, was devoted to his duties. And that despite their profound ideological differences, they maintained a proper working relationship.

Namir's main complaint was that in the two years since the NRP has handled the education portfolio, undue favoritism has been shown to the minority state religious network to the detriment of the major state system. Moreover, she charged, while general education was undergoing cut-backs, hundreds of millions of pounds were being funnelled in an uncontrolled manner to the Agudat Yisrael independent school system and to anti-Zionist yeshivot and talmudei tora by Aguda's Knesset finance committee chairman, Rabbi Shlomo Lorincz.

She pointed out that the religious parties speak for 14.17 per cent of the nation, and their schools cater for 27 per cent of the children.

She feared there was a stealthy attempt to subvert the general nature of the system the majority had chosen, noting that with one noticeable exception, 30 senior Education Ministry appointments, such as departmental directors and the pedagogic secretariat head, had been filled by men of the ultra-right.

"There is much room for concern, as their influence begins to filter down through the country's educational hierarchy right into our homes," she warned. "With them, education and indoctrination are often indistinguishable.

"I am certainly not against our youth being taught about Judaism, but what kind of Judaism will be taught? Reform, Conservative or Orthodox? And will teachers other than from the Orthodox trend be allowed to teach?"

"The dominant Orthodox movement here treats the non-religious as if they are in constant need of being rescued. They are seeking to save our souls, for do they not argue that a Jew who does not perform all the mitzvot is not a proper Jew?"

WHAT WORRIES Namir is that those officials seeking to remould the general educational system are both religious and political extremists. As for the experimental Bar-Mitzva course, introduced last year, she was concerned by its opening section, entitled: "And now we repent." This inspired the wry comment: "I can only ask what seventh-graders have to repent of?"

Noting that the ministry recently reduced school hours by 15 per cent in junior high and 4 per cent in primary schools, Namir feared lest Hammer's men introduce their schemes at the expense of hours devoted to social studies, Zionism and Jewish history.

No, she responded firmly to my question whether she was not being overly alarmed.

"We are being confronted by a concerted and gradual bid to subvert the wishes of the majority of parents. These senior Education Ministry officials belong to a clearly defined religious-political camp, where we have already witnessed a shift to extremism on such burning political issues as the future of Judea and Samaria and Arab minority rights. Now we hear talk in the Bnei Akiva youth movement of separating the sexes."

Moreover, she insisted, the State Religious system was far from being the kind of success its advocates claimed. It contained the largest concentration of children in need of special attention — the national average was 42 per cent, with the State schools at 22-25 per cent and the State Religious at 67 per cent. There was a decided correlation between those statistics and the unusually high percentage of unqualified teachers in those schools. It was a deplorable situation and certainly required urgent rectification, but not by lowering the State schools' standards.

The NRP-controlled Ministry had already showed its colours by the preferential treatment of its sector, with results already seen in the last school year, she urged Ora Namir. She said she had material indicating that the Ministry officials had ensured that State Religious schools had smaller classes than general schools, and that school inspectors had an easier work load in State Religious schools, where their quota was much smaller than that of their colleagues supervising the general system.

Namir differentiated between State Religious schools and the smaller ultra-Orthodox network. The former were educated to Zionist principles and their graduates served in the forces, whereas the latter had mostly not yet recognized the State of Israel and their school-leavers certainly never performed any national service. Yet, under the present coalition, MK Lorincz had handed over millions of taxpayers' money to these institutions. These allocations she put "at a highly conservative if incomplete estimate" at IL300m, but would not confirm Knesset lobby reports that Lorincz had wangled three to four times that amount out of Finance Minister Eshkol.

She deplored the fact that these millions were being given as a reward to those who opposed the existence of Israel, especially as the moneys were being funnelled to talmudei tora and yeshivot over which neither the ministry nor the State Comptroller had any jurisdiction. As far as anyone knew, the money might even end up in someone's private bank account.

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Costly violence

MORE THAN ONE citizen of this country must have muttered to himself, or to his friends, angrily yesterday as the lights suddenly went out at his home or his workplace, that "there ought to be a law against this sort of thing."

In point of fact there is, though evidently it is not effective enough. Israel Electric Corporation employees manning sensitive posts were issued court orders not to join their comrades in any work stoppage yesterday. Yet a concerted attempt was made to bar their entry into the power stations.

An anonymous "works committee" took it upon itself to disrupt the power supply to the nation, as part of a labour dispute with the company's management and the government.

Members of that committee should perhaps have been sentenced to a term in an elevator caught between two floors in the suffocating heat of an August day, so that they could get some true taste of their own violence. For costly violence against their countrymen, and not a wage struggle with the bosses, is what they were practising yesterday.

Their action would have been worthy of condemnation even if they were fighting for their bread-and-butter. Their actual concern, however, has been with status, as expressed in wage differentials. In defence of their claims they have cited hoary "historical" rights — which include free, untaxed electricity.

The employees of the Electric Corporation, like most workers, are probably very strongly opposed to any notion of compulsory arbitration. Yet if proof were needed that some industries, such as their own, are so vital that their labour relations cannot be left to the more-or-less free play of market forces, it was amply provided by yesterday's arbitrary power shutdowns.

Indeed the argument against a union for policemen — that it might produce strikes, and thus threaten the social fabric itself — could now easily be turned at the electrical workers as well. There is just one thing that can be said in favour of the electrical workers, that their irresponsible action was not entirely out of keeping with the spirits of the time. For at a time when, for example, Yamit settlers can with impunity threaten the state authority with literal mutiny unless their conditions for resettlement are fully met; when Gush Emunim devotees at Kedumim can be invited for a friendly conference after they have announced a plan to illegally seize Arab land unless it is handed to them; when Kiryat Arba women can take virtual possession of Hebron's Hadassah building after being denounced as law-breakers by the Prime Minister himself — why should the electrical workers be denied the pleasure of their wild little party?

Saving public funds

APPALLED by the shortage of classrooms facing them as the new school year approaches, the local authorities angrily blame the Treasury for its parsimony. Yet this time the keeper of the public purse is not altogether at fault.

It is true that promises have been made and then unmade, as budgetary cuts become imperative. It is also true that inflation renders routine bureaucratic delays insufferable. The Treasury goes through the ponderous motions of preparing and submitting a Supplementary Budget to cover rising expenses, while city halls run out of funds; and bridging loans cost a fortune of money.

On the other hand it should not have been beyond the intellectual capacity of Israel's mayors to foresee that the Government's traditional overspending could not last forever. Instead of preparing for short commons, they have gone on extending their commitments, as if the day of reckoning would never come. And they have done so with the active encouragement of the Ministry of Education.

Figures tell the tale. During the years 1970 to 1977, the number of schoolchildren increased by 2.8 per cent annually — and educational staffs by 5.1 per cent.

It is good to improve and expand instructional facilities, provided money is available to pay the bill. If money is short for the regular classes, the time is evidently not ripe for introducing supplementary classes. Yet the Education Minister, having agreed to reduce his supplementary long-school-day scheme from 1,200 classes to 600, refuses point-blank to shelve the project altogether.

In Hod Ha'Sharon a religious school contains 90 pupils, divided into six classes. This year it will have seven children in Class A. The place should be closed and the students passed to another school. The Ministry's Department of Religious Education will not hear of it.

This disparity is widespread. Ness Ziona had last year 30.6 children per class (on the average) in its general schools — and 14.3 in its religious schools. (Standard class size is 33 children.) Ramat Hasharon had 32.8 in its general schools, and 15.1 in the religious ones; Kiryat Tivon 30.8 and 13.5; Arad 32.2 and 8.6. Consolidating small schools into fewer full-size units would save classroom space and millions of pounds of money. Israel would not be the first civilized country to send its children on a short bus journey to their place of learning.

Something like IL600m. of public money goes to subsidize school meals, although the health authorities are satisfied that these are no longer strictly necessary. And there are other ways of saving.

Saving public funds is an absolute necessity if the country is to survive its present economic crisis. This is as true of the country's municipal and social services as of many others.

READERS' LETTERS

BEGIN SHOULD RESIGN

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post: Sir, — Now is a golden opportunity for Mr. Begin to resign for health reasons — for his own good and for the good of our country.

This would pave the way for new elections: the sooner, the better. This country has had enough of Herut and the Liberals.

NATZAN GERSHONI Givatayim.

LARGE FAMILIES

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post: Sir, — If a child is a blessing to the parents, many children are blessings multiplied. Their development is a source of joy and their existence becomes a staff of comfort to ageing parents who have born the burden of their upbringing.

But there are many members of society who are not so blessed and the question may be asked, why should single people or childless couples, living out their own particular frustrations, be obliged to carry the burden of supporting children to whom they have no affection? For the child's sake the State may consider it necessary and desirable to subsidize large families. However, I don't think prolific parents have any right to demand it.

N. M. KASRASH Kiryat Omo.

THE HOUSING PROBLEM

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post: Sir, — In disposing of old newspapers, I came across a sub-headline I'd like to share with other readers: "Israel is experiencing an unprecedented boom in western immigration, but it could turn into a colossal bust unless the government moves quickly to solve a critical shortage in housing."

We all know what has happened with western aliyah and is now happening to Soviet aliyah — tragedies in which housing problems played a part. The previous and present governments must share the blame for the tragic fiasco in housing, but only the present one can act. Will it?

That headline was from 1968. R. GREENGARD Holon.

NEW BROADCASTING TECHNOLOGIES

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post: Sir, — Your economic reporter's by-line appears on a story evidently emanating from the Treasury's Budget Department, about momentous imminent TV developments threatening to make currently bought TV sets "obsolete in four years" (August 21).

Though, in all modesty, I may claim — as a mere electronics engineer — some knowledge of the subject, I dare not share in the "Treasury Officials' clairvoyance. In fact, what meagre data do appear in the story in no way warrant the "obsolescence" prediction. More specifically, direct reception from broadcasting satellites require the addition to existing receivers of a special aerial and converter, not a different kind of receiver. Moreover, such reception will only be possible from "national" satellites; international satellite broadcasts are not intended (except possibly from an experimental satellite for a couple of days a month for a limited period).

Similarly, other new broadcasting technologies, inasmuch as they will be available in Israel — and I agree that thought should be given to their introduction — will not make existing sets obsolete. Thus, teletext (information pages displayed on the screen as selected by the viewer) transmissions can be received through a fairly simple adaptor. Computer feeds (as well as TV "games") can be wired into currently distributed sets by any competent technician (and some sets have a ready-made outlet for such purposes).

It is in fact inconceivable that any new broadcast system make hundreds of millions of receivers obsolete overnight. (In the U.K. the ancient "405 Line" system is still in use as a certain number of receivers still exist in serviceable condition.) I come to the sad conclusion that your reporter's source is either not very well versed in the subject or obsessed with the idea of disuading people from buying colour sets.

Z. STOKHEIM Jerusalem.

WARNING OF DANGERS AHEAD

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post: Sir, — I wish to call attention to the issue of August 2, 1979 of the prestigious scientific magazine "Nature" (p. 899), in which correspondents from Egypt and Israel address themselves to the "possibility of scientific links" being established between the two countries after the signing of the peace treaty.

The glaring contrast between the views from Cairo and Tel Aviv is summarized in the captions: "Egypt: divided and uncertain," and "Israel: a one-sided love affair." Specifically, the Egyptian point of view, expressed by a high-ranking scientist, is based on the fear that "cooperation with Israel... will seriously damage the possibility of further collaboration with the Arab OPEC countries," and the fact that "most Egyptian scientists would rather wait for their 'Arab brothers' to make up with them, than actively cooperate with Israel."

As to the other side of the coin, "the Israelis go on hoping and talking." Readers of this paper surely are well aware of the far-reaching plans for scientific cooperation proposed by Josef Tekoah, president of Ben-Gurion University, and Amos Horev, president of the Technion.

This is another instance of the gross asymmetry characterizing the relationship between Israel and Egypt — and this in a sphere not involving sensitive political issues, such as "Palestinian rights," or the status of "territories," or the legitimacy of Jewish settlements in Eretz Yisrael.

KURT STERN, M.D. Tel Aviv.

THE REAL GUILTY PARTY

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post: Sir, — I was aghast to read your report of August 3 concerning the indictment for premeditated murder of a Kiryat Arba man who fired into a crowd of stone-throwing schoolgirls, killing one of them. Stones are weapons, exactly like bullets. A stone, well aimed, can maim or kill its victim just like a hand grenade or a bullet. People who attack others with stones have themselves to blame for the consequences of unprovoked aggression.

The fact that the aggressors were 16-year-old females, makes no difference. Arab women and "minors" are not exempt from the law. The action of non-peace-loving individuals is not an excuse for the actions of the State.

DE. EVA DANIELIUS Helsinki.

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